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# 'Might as well shut down Legislature'

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» Giving lawmakers operational money could break budget deadlock

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The Senate's proposal to "zero out" the 29 lawmakers' allocation is holding hostage the fiscal year 2012 budget, said House members who also warned yesterday that the Legislature might as well shut down without operational funding and leave close to 200 individuals jobless.

But some senators said the House should give more to the Public School System, Northern Marianas College, Rota, and Tinian.

Identifying the main areas of disagreements is one thing, but reaching a compromise on these differences is another, said House Ways and Means Committee chair Rep. Ray Basa (Cov-Saipan), who heads the House conference committee that will work with their Senate counterpart to come up with $102-million budget bill that's acceptable to both chambers.

Basa

Basa said it is "absurd" that senators want to zero out the lawmakers' individual allocation.

"Might as well shut down the Legislature without providing funding to operate the Legislature," he said.

The House proposal is to give each lawmaker a discretionary or operational budget of some $51,000,

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Inmates in orange suits, with the supervision of Lt. Pius Yaritemal of the Department of Corrections, clean up the area surrounding a school bus stop on Middle Road yesterday afternoon as part of a joint community outreach program by Corrections and the First Lady's Vision Foundation. Yaritemal said the cleanup started last week in time for the opening of public schools.

# Battle lines drawn on Fund law repeal

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House Speaker Eli Cabrera (R-Saipan) referred yesterday to the Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations a bill repealing the Beneficiaries Derivative Law, which is again drawing the same battle line between those who support and oppose the original measure.

Cabrera

Cabrera said the bill needs further review, and this comes at a time when six of the NMI Retirement Fund's money managers and consultants have quit within days of the signing of Public Law 17-51.

The Fund said these "solid, reputable firms" are terminating their contracts with the pension system because of the added liabilities and uncertainties brought by the new law signed on Sept. 5.

But after retirees and NMI Retirement Fund officials personally appealed to House members on Wednesday to pass House Bill 17-220, it was the turn of some retirees and their counsel to air their opposition to the same bill yesterday.

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HB 17-220 seeks to repeal in its entirety PL 17-51, which allows Fund beneficiaries to sue on behalf of the pension program if the board refuses to bring such legal action.

House floor leader George Camacho (Ind-Saipan) formally introduced his HB

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# Chief Justice Demapan resigns

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After almost two decades of serving the Commonwealth Judiciary, Supreme Court Chief Justice Miguel S. Demapan has resigned, citing health reasons. His resignation is effective Sept. 30.

"It is with a heavy heart that I submit this letter of resignation. …Regrettably, personal health concerns compel me to step down…so that I can focus on my family and on my health," Demapan told Gov. Benigno R. Fitial in a letter that he personally handed to the islands' chief executive officer yesterday.

Despite his departure, Demapan said he is confident that the Judiciary remains in capable hands and that the governor will choose an excellent successor for the position.

Demapan

Demapan is the third chief justice of the Commonwealth Supreme Court. He served on the bench for more than 12 years.

In a separate statement, Demapan said he will always be proud of what he has done for the Commonwealth as its chief justice.

"I believe that no secular calling is

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# Local

ON BLUE WATER HOMES PROJECT

## 'We want controlled development'

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Despite claims that majority of the public favor the proposed Blue Water Homes affordable housing project, a group of land and property owners in the project's nearby area along with their heirs are making their voices heard to oppose the proposed "monolithic" venture for its adverse social impacts.

The second affordable housing project to avail of the Low Income Housing Tax Credit program administered by the Northern Marianas Housing Corp., Blue Water Homes is a $30-million construction project in Chalan Piao that would build 80 units in a nine-storey building.

These 16 landowners and heirs, who belong to the Taman-Cabrera clan and are all related, have written their comments to the Zoning Office expressing their apprehensions on the planned project which they say does not take into account the "social consequences" resulting from such kind of massive development.

"We are not anti-development but we do support controlled development," John White, owner of Lot 458-NEW-7, reiterated several times during yesterday's interview.

White, who has been a resident of the area since 1987, said proponents of Blue Water Homes have "glossed over" the project's so-called benefits without due consideration to its conduciveness to the site area's land use and to existing infrastructure. The site is currently zoned as "tourist resort" area.

He said there should be height and density limit to the proposed development in the area. With an 80-unit housing project there, White emphasized that the neighborhood would "expand dramatically," giving rise to issues such as parking availability and environmental concerns, among others.

White noted that the project plan has no provision for construction of social amenities such as extra parking stalls and playground for children that would accommodate about 500 individuals that are likely to dwell in the said housing project.

He said Blue Water Homes LLC, the project developer, has not identified measures to address additional problems that would be brought by the project such as erosion resulting to cutting down of tree, disturbance of endangered species and ecosystems, traffic congestion, and overloading of public utilities like schools, sewage and water systems.

Although White lauded Bob Jones, managing partner of Blue Water Homes LLC and founder of Triple J Enterprises, for his "very commendable" efforts to provide affordable housing units for low-income families, he pointed out that the social well-being of residents in the area should also be taken into account.

### What happened during the public hearing?

White said he and other landowners as well as their families attended the public hearing conducted by the Zoning board on the conditional use application for Blue Water Homes but only he and another heir, Christopher Attao Concepcion, spoke at the hearing regarding their concerns.

White maintained that the project developer is carrying out a "very effective propaganda campaign" in saying that the project has received "massive support" when this is only "half-true" when their apprehensions are brought to the table.

Looking closely into those who are in support of the project, White disclosed that some of those who have spoken have "vested interests" in the project given that they have family members working with the Triple J group of companies.

White recounted that when he told a proponent of the project that the CNMI government would only receive "peanuts" once the developer applies for tax exemptions such as the qualifying certificate, the proponent said, "better peanuts than nothing."

"Are we now trading peanuts for social disaster?" asked White.

He also recounted that how "shocked" he was when Jones said that they could actually push through with the project since the "tourist resort" classification allows for development in the project site.

"I'm glad that the legal counsel interjected that just because it is zoned that way that they automatically get the project going," said White.

White said that another public hearing set by the Coastal Resources Management, which was scheduled yesterday, was canceled due to failure of the project developer to submit all application requirements.

"I can't help but ask how ready they are in terms of the project. If they tell the media that they're going to break ground next year, how come they could not submit requirements in obtaining a permit?" asked White.

### Acceptable terms

White noted that he and the other landowners and heirs do not oppose development in their area since they have patronized and supported other businesses and structures in the neighborhood such as the Chalan Kanoa Beach Club and a three-storey apartment building.

"We are not anti-development. We just want something that's complacent to existing structures and development in our vicinity," said Concepcion.

White and Concepcion said the landowners and heirs will

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## Saipan power production stable at 51MW

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Despite some power plant engines that remain offline, the Commonwealth Utilities Corp.'s power production on Saipan remains stable, with supply outstripping demand.

CUC power generation manager Al Santos said that Saipan has a total of 51 megawatts available as of Sept. 10, more than enough to support Saipan's peak load of 34.2 megawatts.

"The diesel [engines] in operation are up to par with standards, utilizing 70 to 75 percent of generating capacity per unit. Even with three generator sets off grid, CUC's generating capacity is more than enough to supply demand," he told *Saipan Tribune*, adding that production is more than enough to keep the power on in homes and businesses.

CUC's Power Plant 1 has seven diesel engines. Santos said that units 5 and 6 are currently on maintenance and undergoing retrofit work. Engine No. 5 is undergoing a turbocharger upgrade, block repairs and inlet/exhaust valve replacement. Engine No. 6 is awaiting the arrival of new inlet/exhaust valves and is expected to be back in operation by the end of this month.

Power Plant 2 has four diesel engines; engine No. 1 is currently undergoing repairs.

In Power Plant 4, all seven diesel engines are operational.

The Fitial administration placed CUC under its watch in August 2008 due to poor services and other concerns. The declaration was lifted in March this year as a result of the many progresses noted in its management and operations, specifically in power production.

# 138 hospital personnel will be affected by worker regulations

## »DPH chief confident nonresident nurses will qualify for CW

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A total of 138 employees of the Department of Public Health, mostly nurses at the Commonwealth Health Center, will be affected by the new foreign worker regulations recently issued by immigration authorities.

Public Health Secretary Joseph Kevin Villagomez told *Saipan Tribune*, however, that they have yet to finalize or determine whether these nurses will qualify for a CW-1 status or H-1 visa

Villagomez disclosed that in his meeting last year with Walter Haith of the *U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services*, DPH was made aware that nonresident nurses who completed the two-year nursing program at Northern Marianas College and are NCLEX passers would qualify for CW status.

Because of mounting concerns expressed by affected nonresident nurses, Villagomez has asked for a new presentation by USCIS officials on the new regulations.

"We have been discussing this issue with them [nonresident employees] and to get better understanding about the CW and H1-B visa, we also requested a meeting with the USCIS to discuss this matter about our nurses," he said.

Contrary to belief that nurses will not qualify for CW status, Villagomez said that this was not what he got from his first meeting with USCIS representatives last year.

"We're not in that mindframe. What we believe is: they [nurses] will qualify for CW because the only way they can qualify for H-1B visa is if the state acknowledges that it is only going to accept a four-year nursing degree as registered nurse. Majority of our nurses are BSN [bachelor of science in nursing]. If they will only accept the four-year degree, what will happen to all our nursing graduates from NMC? So anybody that NMC is producing will never be hired as a nurse, which defeats the intention of the transitional rule," he explained.

This semester, NMC recorded its highest number of enrollees ever in its nursing program, with 40 students all taking clinical sessions at the hospital.

"We cannot walk away from NMC. This year, we're very happy to accommodate all 40 students in the NMC nursing program. …If they pass NCLEX, does this mean they cannot work even in the backyards of their own homes?"

According to Villagomez, many nurses hired from NMC have passed the same NCLEX taken by those who completed the four-year degree.

"We will share with [federal officials] the information we got [last year] and we will ask for their guidance as to the next steps for DPH," he said.

Villagomez assured that once USCIS affirms that nurses will qualify for CW status, the department will immediately begin filing its applications. He estimates the process to cost the department about $120,000.

However, the cost may go up to $585,000 if the affected nurses are made to apply for an H-IB visa.

"It's going to be a concern for us…if we will process everyone for H-IB visa or petition for a green card. However, we have no choice but to hire them for our hospital," he said, adding that if CW will not be extended to these nurses, this may impact their hiring of additional personnel.

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# CUC board reinstatement, initiative on Article 12 among 15 introduced or passed measures

The House of Representatives introduced and/or passed 15 measures yesterday, including a bill reinstating a Commonwealth Utilities Corp. board of directors and an initiative asking voters whether they want to repeal or continue Article 12 of the NMI Constitution.

Article 12 restricts land ownership to persons of Northern Marianas descent.

The House introduced 10 bills or from House Bills 17-206 to 17-225, one local bill, and one initiative. Members also passed three House bills.

Among the bills passed:

■ HB 17-144, by Rep. Ray Yumul (R-Saipan), seeks to officially establish a CNMI Veterans Cemetery.

■ HB 17-214, by Rep. Stanley Torres (Ind-Saipan), strengthens the Commonwealth Public Utilities Commission.

■ HB 17-7, also by Torres, creates a Second Marianas Political Status Commission to reexamine the CNMI's political relationship with the United States.

The 12 bills/initiative/local bill introduced were:

■ HB 17-206, by Yumul, authorizing the Department of Public Health to regulate private ambulance services, compliance and response time.

■ HB 17-217, by House minority leader Joseph Deleon Guerrero, reducing the rebate tax.

■ HB 17-218, by Yumul, allocating funds received pursuant to U.S. Public Law 110-229. This is the $150 CNMI education funding fee to be paid by employers for every foreign worker they hire.

■ HB 17-219, by Rep. Joseph Palacios (R-Saipan), to create a CNMI Product Seal Act of 2011.

■ HB 17-220, by floor leader George Camacho (Ind-Saipan), repealing in its entirety the Beneficiary Derivative Lawsuit Act or Public Law 17-51.

■ HB 17-221, by Rep. Joseph Palacios, establishing a Government Employee's Self-Insurance Fund.

■ HB 17-222, also by Camacho, reinstating a CUC board of directors.

■ HB 17-223, by Rep. Teresita Santos (Ind-Rota), amending the qualifications for the position of a resident director for the Rota Health Center.

■ HB 17-225, by Rep. Tony Sablan (R-Saipan), seeking to provide resident workers with the same benefits given to nonresident workers. ***(Haidee V. Eugenio)***

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17-220 during yesterday morning's session, but the bill was referred to the JGO Committee instead of being placed on the bill calendar for immediate action.

"I just hope that the (JGO) committee sees the need to repeal PL 17-51 and act swiftly," Camacho told *Saipan Tribune*.

He said the original derivative bill went through intense scrutiny by the House and Senate and their committees, so there shouldn't be a reason to further prolong action on the bill repealing the law.

"I respect the committee and I want it to do its due diligence on the bill. However, we all know time is of the essence regarding the derivative bill," he added.

Patricia Guerrero, a retiree and a plaintiff in a lawsuit against the Retirement Fund's former investment consultant Merrill Lynch, said lawmakers should not repeal P.L. 17-51 by not passing HB 17-220.

The plaintiffs in the case claim that Merrill Lynch overcharged the Fund and provided bad advice to the trustees, resulting in millions of investment losses.

Atty. Michael Dotts, who also opposes HB 17-220 and is counsel for retirees suing Merrill Lynch, reiterated yesterday that the NMI Retirement Fund does not need a dozen money managers and consultants when its assets have dramatically dropped from over $500 million to some $217 million.

Of this remaining asset, the Superior Court said $100 million of this should be put in bank accounts to protect retirees' benefits. A money manager is not needed to manage a bank account.

With the Fund having assets of $175 million, it does not need over a dozen money managers and consultants especially when the Fund's lifespan is projected to be three to five years, the lawyer said.

"As this thing shrinks, you have less and less need for money managers and you certainly don't need 12," he added, in connection with the termination of contracts of the six money managers and consultants.

Dotts said there are organizations on Saipan "that are very good at managing money," including the Marianas Public Lands Trust.

"You don't need the same massive amount of complication, money managers that you had when there's $500 million in assets," he added.

The lawyer said PL 17-51 has allowed retirees to proceed with the case against Merrill Lynch.

Because this is a contingency fee case, nobody pays anything unless there's a victory.

"And if there's a victory, the majority of the money goes to the Fund for all the retirees…not only for those who (joined the suit)… They're suing for the benefit of the whole Fund. There's no harm in trying and there really does seem to have a good case but if it wasn't for P.L. 17-51, we wouldn't even be able to try," he said in an interview during the House session yesterday.

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much lower than the FY 2011 budget law's $80,000.

House members said without discretionary funding, lawmakers will also become office managers and community workers because they won't have money to hire staff and operate their offices.

Basa said from $51,000 in annual discretionary allowance, he said he could go down to $20,000 or $30,000 and give the difference to NMC and PSS.

But other members said a $20,000 annual discretionary fund will still be too low, although they said they can allow "zeroing out" the leadership account if that's what it takes to meet the Senate in the middle and avoid a shutdown.

Vice Speaker Felicidad Ogumoro (Cov-Saipan), for her part, said it is "troubling" for the Senate to propose a budget with zero operational funding not only for the individual lawmakers but also for the leadership accounts.

"But I'm hopeful that the conference committee will be able to resolve the differences and get this bill out so that we can pass the budget before Oct. 1," she said.

Senate President Paul Manglona (Ind-Rota), in a separate interview yesterday, said the Senate's goal is to pass a budget on time and to avoid a government shutdown.

"I would urge the committee to review the budget of PSS, NMC. From there, it will be up to the committee," he said.

Basa would have wanted a joint conference committee meeting starting at 10am today, but senators will be on Rota today for public hearings on initiatives.

Senators said these public hearings were scheduled way ahead of time. They also said that the House waited until late August to introduce and pass a budget bill when they had since April 1 to work on it.

Senate Fiscal Affairs Committee chair Sen. Jovita Taimanao (Ind-Rota), head of the Senate conferees, said the first meeting of the House and Senate conferees will be on Monday.

Senators cut the Legislature and the Executive Branch's budget by over $2 million and gave them to PSS, NMC, Rota, Tinian, and other programs. They also gave an additional $1 million each to NMC and PSS, a funding that will come from a fee required by the federalization law.

Last year's partial government shutdown was caused mainly by differences in the number of work hours to be cut every two weeks as part of austerity measures. The House wanted 16 hours while the Senate wanted only eight hours. The Senate gave in.

### 'Yumul replaced'

House Speaker Eli Cabrera (R-Saipan), during a session yesterday, announced his decision to replace Rep. Ray Yumul (R-Saipan) with Rep. Sylvester Iguel (Cov-Saipan) as a member of the House conference committee.

The speaker's decision resulted from a consideration of Yumul's "no" vote on a motion to reject the Senate's substitute budget bill.

Yumul said he's not upset and not offended that the speaker replaced him with Iguel.

He said he will continue to advocate for continued funding for individual members' operation.

Rep. Trenton Conner (R-Tinian) said it would have been better if the House conferees also involve members from Tinian and Rota.

Rep. Teresita Santos (Ind-Rota) said one of the main causes of a budget deadlock is a failure to reach a compromise or unwillingness to meet a common negotiation.

"As such, it is my hope that as legislators, we take into full consideration all the issues and/or concerns raised by various entities, departments and agencies, and thoroughly assessing their merits, thence providing a realistic or workable budget for the CNMI and averting another government shutdown. But this again can only be achieved through a thoughtful compromise or middle ground," she said.

The Legislature and the Executive Branch have until Sept. 30 to pass a budget bill and sign it into law; otherwise, there will be a government shutdown starting on Oct. 1.

A shutdown will continue until a budget is passed and signed. This means over 1,000 employees will be out of jobs for as long as it takes the lawmakers to pass a budget bill that the governor could sign.

The Fitial administration has started preparing for a shutdown, including identifying the critical positions that will be exempted from it.

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support the project if its height will be reduced to just two to three storeys.

### Public awareness

According to White, their group is doing a "thorough public awareness campaign" to educate the public on the benefits versus the consequences of Blue Water Homes.

In fact, Concepcion said they also made use of social networking by creating the "Save Taman Beach" group on Facebook to inform the public about the impacts of the proposed housing project.

White urged the Zoning Board, Coastal Resources Management, and other permitting agencies "not to be blinded" in making a decision on the application of Blue Water Homes.

"The Zoning Board and other agencies should listen to the concerns of the adjacent residents and landowners, consider the social impact of having 500 people crammed sardine-like into four house lots, perhaps even less, without any social provisions whatsoever," he said.

## DEMAPAN

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higher than to sit in judgment over disputes brought by the people in their public courts for resolution. I hope that my tenure as chief justice has been worthy of the high standard set by my predecessors. I will always be proud of the Supreme Court of the Northern Marianas and its accomplishments during my tenure. The record will reflect the work done to improve the Judiciary and our efforts to provide more access to our justice system," he said.

Fitial spokesman, Angel Demapan, said that the chief justice's service will always be remembered.

"While Gov. Fitial and Lt. Gov. Inos are saddened to see Chief Justice Demapan leave the CNMI Supreme Court, both fully understand and support the chief justice as his decision was driven by personal health concerns and his desire to spend more time with his loving family. Nonetheless, his service to the Commonwealth will always be remembered," Angel Demapan said.

Quoting Fitial, Angel Demapan said that Chief Justice Demapan will always be remembered as a "major instrument in the vast improvements undertaken by the judicial branch over the course of the past several years."

In a statement yesterday, Lt. Gov. Eloy Inos said: "[Chief Justice Demapan] has enriched the lives of everyone at the court through his intellect, independence, and his friendship. I'm sure he will be missed very much by everyone at both the Superior and Supreme courts. We also owe a great deal of respect and appreciation to his wife Frances and their children, for their support and love during his term on the bench."

### 'We will always be grateful'

Director of Courts Tracy M. Guerrero said it has been an honor for her to work with Demapan. "He has provided me with many opportunities for learning and growth, including nominating me for the 2010 Toll Fellows, for which I will be always grateful."

Associate Justice John A. Manglona said, "Chief Justice Demapan led the Commonwealth Judiciary during its most critical periods and managed to direct its course despite limited resources. The Chief Justice, Justice Castro and I served together for over 11 years. He has been an integral part of the Supreme Court, and I will miss his collegiality."

For Jennifer Dockter, the Supreme Court Clerk of Court, "filling the shoes of Chief Justice Demapan will be an impossible task. His contribution to the Judiciary will be greatly missed and we all wish him and his family the very best."

### 'Track record'

Demapan is one of nine children, born and raised on Saipan. He graduated class valedictorian of Marianas High School in 1971. Originally interested in pursuing a medical career, he attended Seattle University in Washington under a Trust Territory scholarship. He received his bachelor's degree in Chemistry in 1975. He then earned a master's degree in Business Administration with honors from Golden Gate University in San Francisco in 1983. He settled on a career in law after earning his juris doctor from Santa Clara University in California in 1985. In May of 2005, he received a Doctor of Humane Letters from the University of Guam.

Upon his return to Saipan, Demapan began as general counsel for J.C. Tenorio Enterprises, Inc. He then opened a solo private practice. A few years later, the law offices of Demapan and Atalig were representing major business and local clients. Also during his private practice, Demapan served as a member of the CNMI Tax Task Force.

The chief justice joined the judiciary in November 1992, when he was appointed to the Commonwealth Superior Court as an associate judge. In July 1998, then governor Pedro P. Tenorio appointed him to the Commonwealth Supreme Court, and a year later, he was sworn in as chief justice.

Demapan's leadership saw the publication of the first ever judicial history of the Commonwealth, the formation of the Judicial Council that he chaired, implementation of the electronic filing system at the Superior and Supreme courts, and construction of the courthouse on Rota. He also served as the president of the Pacific Judicial Council.

He has also served as chairman of Commonwealth Law Revision Commission; chairman, Criminal Justice Planning Agency Supervisory Council; judge pro tem in both the Guam Supreme Court and Superior Court; president, Pacific Judicial Council (2000-2002) and (2008-present); member, Conference of Chief Justices (USA); board of directors, U.S. Conference of Chief Justices (2002-2003); chairman, Resolutions Committee, U.S. Conference of Chief Justices (former); member, Asia Pacific Conference of Chief Justices; member, CNMI Federal Bench Council; and member, World Jurist Association.

# House OKs review of CNMI relationship with US

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By a vote of 15-0, the House of Representatives passed yesterday a bill creating a commission that will reexamine the CNMI's political relationship with the United States since the signing of the "Covenant" 35 years ago.

That "Covenant" is the document that establishes a Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands in Political Union with the United States of America.

After several years of trying, Rep. Stanley Torres (Ind-Saipan) finally succeeded in having his bill pass the House.

"I'm glad that after many years, this bill passed the House. I hope the Senate will also do the same," the author of House Bill 17-7 said.

Vice speaker Felicidad Ogumoro (Cov-Saipan) said the bill's passage will finally give the CNMI an opportunity to reassess its relationship with the U.S.

Torres' House Bill 17-7 creates a Second Marianas Political Commission that will reexamine "whether the people desire continuing in a 'commonwealth' relationship with the United States pursuant to the terms of the original Covenant agreement."

The commission will also reexamine whether continuation of that relationship is in the peoples' best interest, "or whether some other political status would better enable them to fulfill their aspirations of full and meaningful self-government."

Passage of the bill also comes two years after the federal government took control of CNMI immigration pursuant to U.S. Public Law 110-229, which also paved the way for the CNMI to elect its first nonvoting delegate to the U.S. House of Representatives.

HB 17-7 will initially cost the CNMI $50,000 for the operations of the Second Political Status Commission.

But during yesterday's session, Rep. Ray Yumul (R-Saipan) offered a floor amendment that will change the initial funding from $50,000 to "up to $50,000" that is authorized to be "reprogrammed by the governor" instead of the Legislature no later than 60 days after the appointment of the members.

House members adopted Yumul's floor amendment.

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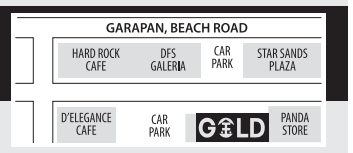


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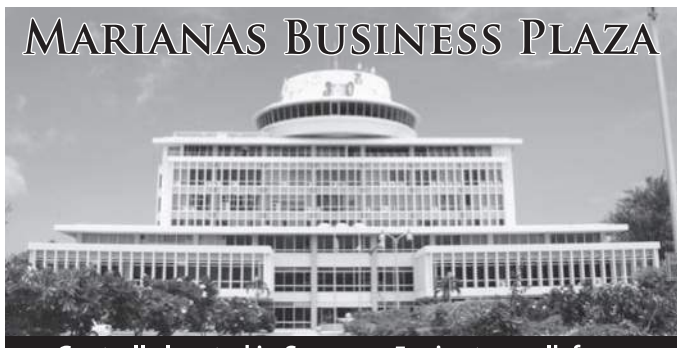

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## IF DERIVATIVE SUIT LAW NOT REPEALED

# 'Fund will turn into retail investor'

By MONETH G. DEPOSA
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If the 10-day-old Beneficiaries Derivative Law is not repealed, the NMI Retirement Fund will lose all its institutional money managers and with that its access to the institutional investment community.

Former investment consultant Wilshire Associates said the end result of this is the Fund turning into only a retail investor.

Wilshire Associates principal, Maggie Ralbovsky told *Saipan Tribune* that recent developments in the CNMI pension system have already started to be picked up by trade magazines in the U.S., adding that the passage of Public Law 17-51 has damaged the business reputation of the Commonwealth.

The present issues, she said, are creating a negative effect for the Fund's future endeavors.

"As of now, the Fund has lost [or been put on notice by] all of its institutional managers. Going forward, if Public Law 17-51 is not repealed, Wilshire Associates expects the Fund will not be able to access the institutional investment community, but can only invest like a retail individual investor in the mutual fund space," she said.

Ralbovsky admitted that Wilshire Associates suggested to the Fund to consider investing in mutual funds given that no institutional managers will be willing to enter into contracts.

She revealed that mutual funds are generally designed for retail investors and tend to be more expensive, and provide lower levels of service than institutional managers.

Ralbovsky explained how mutual funds work: "Generally speaking, all things being equal [meaning comparing same asset classes and same risk levels], mutual funds are on average 0.25 percent more expensive than institutional managers. Higher expenses mean lower returns, all things being equal."

According to Ralbovsky, as soon as Wilshire Associates was engaged as Fund consultant, the board of trustees worked very hard to review new asset allocation studies, issue new RFPs, and select new investment managers with a goal to re-position the investment program to address the many challenges the Fund is facing.

Given the challenge of a short investment horizon and low-risk tolerance as well as the needs to generate return to pay pension benefits, the Fund approved a new strategy called "glidepath."

But to implement this new strategy, all managers need to work as a group around anchor passive manager BlackRock Inc., which resigned last week. Wilshire Associates admitted the "glidepath" is now un-implementable due to the firm's resignation.

It was also revealed that Stralem and Company and Fisher Investments, money managers that also terminated services with the Fund, are the only equity managers and their resignation further jeopardize the investment program. As of yesterday, six firms have already ended their relationship with the Fund, including Wilshire Associates.

Wilshire Associates said it will continue to serve the Fund until Oct. 8 and that it reserves the right to reconsider if the law gets repealed before that date. However, after Oct. 8, even if the law is repealed, the Fund may need to re-issue RFPs for a new investment consultant because of the procurement law.

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This training is designed to build capacity in Native communities and organizations, and therefore, professional grant writers are not eligible. Participation in the training session is limited to individuals who are employed by eligible entities serving American Indians, Native Hawaiians, Alaskan Natives, and Native American Pacific Islanders.

The Project Planning and Development Training workshop will be conducted at the As Terlage campus of the Northern Marianas College, Room D-1, on Sept. 21, 22, and 23, 2011, from 9am to 4pm.

Rota and Tinian participants can attend the workshop via teleconference at the Rota and Tinian campuses at the same time and date. To register online and for training information go to: www.anapacificbasin.org. You may also come to the workshop as a walk-in. For more information on Saipan, call 322-0278 and ask for Manny. ***(PR)***

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# Flashback

A LOOK BACK AT PAST YEARS' HEADLINES

## Sept. 16, 2003

### 'Use of media in litigation is counterproductive'

In its decision reducing the expenses being asked by lawyers of the class action suit filed against garment firms, the U.S. District Court affirmed that the use of the media as part of litigation efforts is counterproductive and its rationale unacceptable. Chief Judge Alex R. Munson said it is the courts that determine the outcome of a case, and the court's decision is based on all the facts-not on what kind of public opinion can be generated through the media. In asking for reimbursement for media expenses, lawyers for the plaintiffs had argued that "media strategies" have become commonplace in present-day, high profile litigations, and that it has become so common that seminars are offered on the subject of using the media as part of the litigation efforts.

### Senate to act on 3 'non-controversial' resolutions

Sen. Pete P. Reyes, who was recently voted president by the new Senate majority, is planning to dispose of three "non-controversial" House Joint Resolutions that, he said, have been awaiting Senate action for almost a year now. Reyes, who moved today's scheduled session to Wednesday, said adopting the resolutions would be beneficial to the Commonwealth. "I don't see anything controversial in this except that it's all a plus for the CNMI. Why it was never calendared is something that I'm looking at now, to try and make sense of this," said Reyes.

## Sept. 16, 2004

### Law governing alien workers survives legal challenge

The U.S. Court of Appeals junked the appeal of a Filipino worker who had challenged the constitutionality of the Nonresident Workers Act based on arguments asserting equal protection and due process rights as guaranteed by the U.S. Constitution's Fourteenth Amendment. CNMI Assistant Attorney General James Livingstone said the appellate court effectively upheld the constitutionality of the NWA as a whole, after it withstood legal challenge. The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit added, though, that it is taking no position whether individual sections of the NWA would satisfy a more focused legal challenge anchored on equal protection grounds.

### 10 local firms to join LA investment confab

At least 10 private companies in the CNMI would send representatives to the 2004 Business Opportunities Conference in Los Angeles next week, the Governor's Office disclosed yesterday. Galvin DeLeon Guerrero, the governor's special assistant for special projects, said the 10 companies represent diverse industries on the islands. The conference, which is being organized by the U.S. Department of the Interior, will be held at the Marriott Hotel in downtown Los Angeles on Sept. 23 to 24. Guerrero earlier said the conference would provide local companies the opportunity to partner with U.S.-based firms for possible investments and projects in the Commonwealth.

## Sept. 16, 2005

### CPA net income rises 15 percent

The Commonwealth airports' net income grew by 15 percent in the first 10 months of fiscal year 2005 due mainly to employee compensation cuts. The Commonwealth Ports Authority's latest financial report showed that the airport division had a total net income of $2.63 million for the period between October 2004 and July 2005. This represents a 15 percent increase from the Saipan, Tinian, and Rota airports' combined net income of $2.28 million for the same period last year. Of the airport division's net income, $1.23 million will be used to pay debts incurred for airport improvement projects, while the remaining $1.4 million is being reserved to maintain bond liquidity.

### New issue of humanities journal now out

The first issue of the Micronesian Journal of the Humanities and Social Sciences for 2005 has just been published. The new edition covers topics such as the role of the Pampangos in the Mariana Mission, an evaluation of the nature of Guam's history textbooks, a discussion on the role of youth theatre in the revitalization of Marshallese culture, a discussion of traditional and 19th century communication patterns in the Marshall Islands, and much more. The journal also features the section "Micronesian Roundup," where Humanities Institutions in Micronesia are given the opportunity to summarize their activities during the preceding year.

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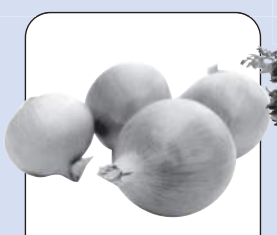

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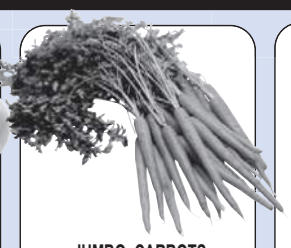

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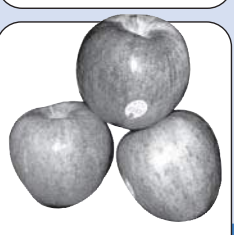

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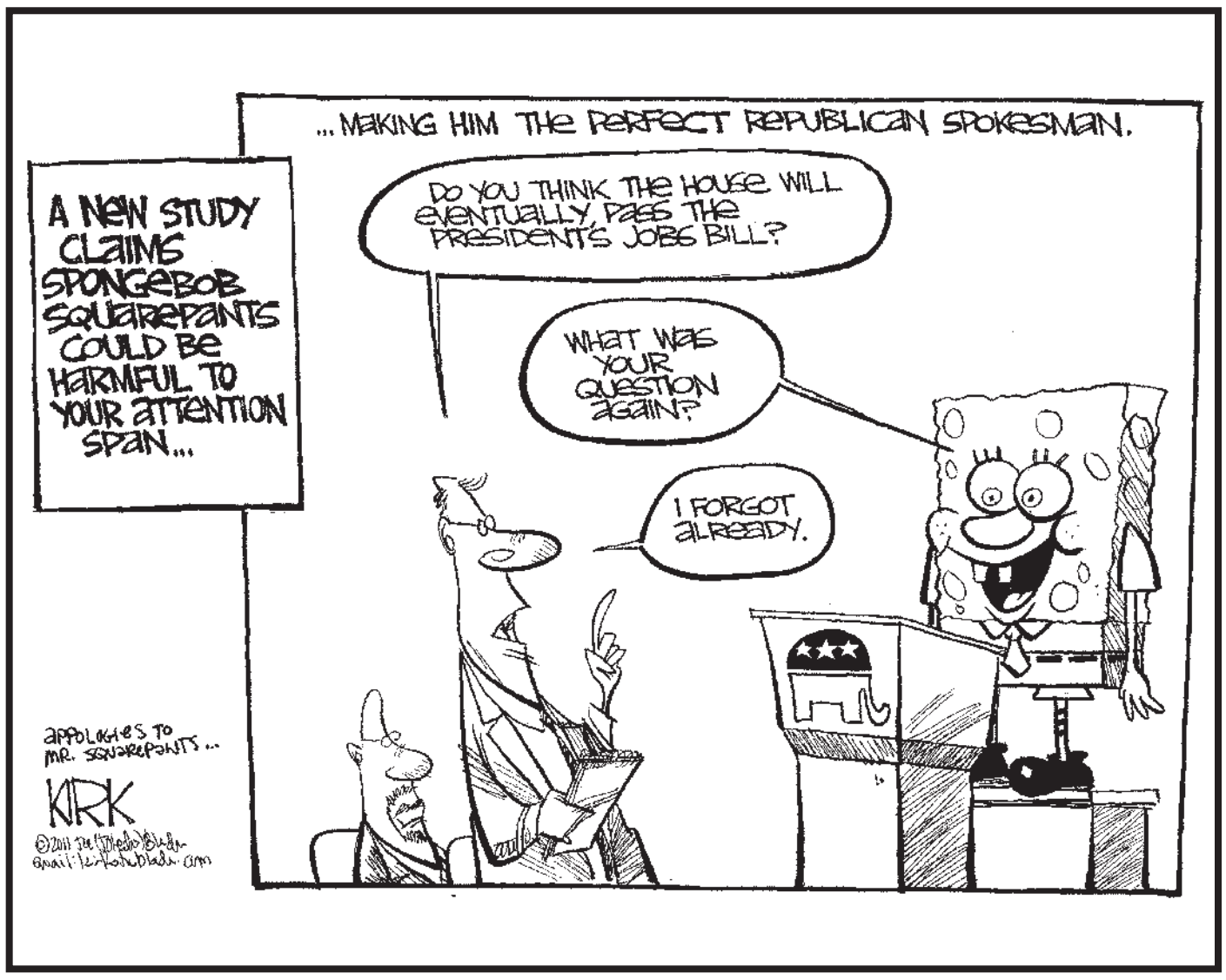
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# As the boomers turn

By KARLYN BOWMAN and ANDREW RUGG
LOS ANGELES TIMES

Baby boomers who came of age during the social and political upheavals of the 1960s and 1970s tended to call themselves Democrats, and as time passed, that identification strengthened. In 1969, far more in the 18- to 29-year-old age cohort—the front end of the baby boom—called themselves Democrats (35 percent) than Republicans (21 percent). A decade later, when they were 28 to 39 years old, their identification with the Democratic Party over the GOP was even stronger (45 percent to 19 percent in Gallup's surveys).

But starting in the 1980s, attitudes of the baby boomers began changing. Polls found them becoming more family oriented and, over time, more conservative. If this transformation continues, leading more of them to embrace the GOP, it could affect the 2012 election.

Although characterized as rebellious, the vast majority of boomers were not actually radical during the 1960s and '70s. In fact, it was older, less-educated Americans who first called our involvement in Vietnam a mistake, not the younger, college-educated "antiwar generation." Young people were, initially at least, more supportive of going to war in Vietnam than their elders.

When the '60s generation was asked in the 1980s to look back to its supposedly tumultuous youth, the recollections were more tame than many had expected. In a 1986 poll for Time magazine, only a third of the generation said they had favored the social protests and demonstrations of the 1960s and '70s, and only a quarter said they took part in them. A mere 8 percent of respondents said they used marijuana regularly during the 1960s and '70s, although 26 percent acknowledged occasional use. And just 18 percent of those surveyed in a poll done for Rolling Stone magazine in 1987 said they had pursued a countercultural lifestyle in the late '60s.

Baby boomers were, however, less conventionally religious than their parents, and more liberal on racial issues, homosexuality and women's roles. Some three-quarters of those polled by Rolling Stone said their parents' generation put more emphasis on organized religion than they did, had more respect for authority and believed more in tried-and-true methods. The spirit of openness of the counterculture left a deep impression on them. In the Rolling Stone poll, 83 percent stated that their generation's willingness to be more open and share personal feelings was a change for the better from their parents' generation.

But the natural conservatizing effects of aging were also becoming evident in these 1980s polls. The passions of youth had been tempered by the practical reality of marriages, children and mortgages. Nearly 7 in 10 in the Rolling Stone poll said they were more family oriented than they thought they would be. When asked about changes from their parents' generation, 59 percent said more-permissive attitudes about sex were a change for the worse (31 percent thought it was for the better), 67 percent said more single parenthood was a change for the worse, and 72 percent said they thought less religious training for children was a change for the worse.

Ideological beliefs moved too. In the 1986 Time poll, 64 percent of the baby boomers polled said they had become more conservative since the 1960s. When asked about their ideological identification, 31 percent said they had been liberal in the 1960s and '70s, but only 21 percent described them-

*See BOOMERS on Next Page*

# The food is not the meal

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Here's a common compliment: "You're a great cook. You should open a restaurant." I say that sometimes. Not that I really mean it, but it's acceptable hyperbole.

On the other hand, here's a saying that rings with genuine truth: "The food is not the meal."

Ah, now that's real wisdom. And it's wisdom for Saipan, at least to the extent that we want to serve what remains of the tourism industry. If ever a saying applied to tourism, this is it.

Indeed, the food is not the meal. I imagine an Eastern sage dispensing that wisdom, perhaps from atop a mountain hermitage. But for all I know it came from a nightclub manager in Vegas, hunched over a Seven and Seven in a dark corner booth, waxing philosophic about his business woes as *My Way* plays in the background. Sages come in different guises, you know, but only some of them have to make payroll.

Of food and meals, well, that's just an analogy, of course, for bigger things. But I like connecting the dots in the literal sense just to get things rolling. After all, I think we've all known some great cooks in the family kitchen who bet everything they had on the big dream of having a little restaurant. Unfortunately, the odds are very long, and, usually, the business lives are very short.

An all-too-typical scenario finds the aspiring restaurateur diligently tending to the duties in the kitchen, while relegating all other aspects of the enterprise to peripheral status. I can understand this. A good cook wants to make good food. That's the focus, with the hope that everything else will just, you know, fall into place somehow.

Of course, "somehow" has never happened in the entire history of business.

Meanwhile, the customer, oblivious to the kitchen, has a chain of events to focus on. We've all been through this as customers: The waitress goes into exile so she can text her boyfriend, the tables and the floor are dirty, the menus are smudged with handprints and food particles, the restrooms aren't clean, nobody wants to pull the plug on the loudmouth and his cell phone the next table over, and, once the ordeal is finally drawing to a close, it takes five minutes to cash out since the staff seems perplexed when somebody waves a credit card at them.

Been there. Done that. Forgot what the food was like; didn't care at that point.

This dynamic applies to tourism in a big way; I don't mean restaurants, I mean anything. It's notoriously hard to view a tourism business through the eyes of our clients. For one thing, the situation is different; as workers, we're used routine and familiar surroundings. But our customers are often confronting entirely alien surroundings, which makes their perceptions more acute.

One big bugaboo I've noticed is the waiting thing. Me, I don't mind hanging out in your office, flirting with your receptionist, and drinking your coffee for 15 minutes because you are late. But I'm not a tourist on Saipan. I've seen many a befuddled group of tourists trying to fathom why they are completely shunted aside for indeterminate amounts of time because somebody dropped the ball on the scheduling side of things. Sometimes delays are inevitable, but usually they're the result of sloppy management. And, on that note, it wasn't until I enlisted help from Asian tour experts that I realized how deeply aggravated many tourists are at the waiting thing.

In fact, I've found that there is no substitute for having expert assistance from natives in the culture at issue. What isn't a big deal, or a big problem, to you or me might be a real slap in the face to foreign customers. The conundrum here is that we often don't know enough about what constitutes a potential problem to point out where the problems might be. This isn't rocket science, but it requires an aptitude for problem solving that is bleeding from Saipan as the private sector flees the island.

Overall, tourism is the act of doing five times the amount of work you thought you'd have to do, then getting 1 percent of the praise you thought you deserve, all to get half the profits you expected to earn. And, the next day, you get to do it all over again.

Fortunately, what can really clear the air of all the seeming complexity is the simple fact that the food is, indeed, not the meal. If we can view that through the customers' eyes then we're on the right path.

Or, we can play *My Way* on the jukebox, then hunker down in a dark corner as we mutter to ourselves about how it all went wrong.

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## Letters to the Editor

# Credit given to where credit is due

Biba! to the leader that promised to deliver the child tax credit checks to the people to help with the burden of expenses in the beginning of the school year. Unfortunately, you are obligated to release those federal funds, no excuses needed. Imagine if it could have been kept in the CNMI's economic black hole called the general fund, where every cent of revenue goes without much return or improvements to our community, its citizens' livelihood, the Retirement Fund issue, or other services like utilities for that matter, then those millions would also disappear with no explanation, as usual. Our leaders would probably suggest using it to save the Retirement Fund because election time is coming up soon and I bet a couple of honorable public leaders up there in the Executive and Legislative branches are thinking about retiring, which is why they now feel obligated to save it. So once again, thanks for releasing the funds clearly due to the taxpayers while making it look like without you lifting your finger it would never have happened.

I do not think it takes a genius to be able to help the CNMI and its citizens but clearly it does call for at least a person with some common sense. I honestly try to understand, interpret, and identify with or find the logic in the actions of our top leaders in both branches of government. Disappointingly, they frequently display their ignorance and lack of common sense or comprehension. Most especially, they seem to find much pleasure in contradicting the voices of the citizens by promoting and defending their prominent ideas drafted in their bills. Their constituents' votes or strong opposition and lack of support to their revenue generating ideas are irrelevant because they always know better. Gambling and drugs would usually impair your judgments like that. It seems like they are forgetting who put them there (in their comfortable seats) in the first place. What are you thinking? Or is thinking not required to be in office? The better question should probably be: What are you signing? Next time, please read and understand a document's contents before you sacrifice your constituents' livelihood—the Retirement Fund issue comes to mind.

And now, a bill is introduced to reduce the rebate offset amount from 90 to 70 percent. In other words, taxpayers—both government and private sector employees—are being penalized by reducing their rebates. The savings withheld that should be due us will be used to save the Retirement Fund. Thank you taxpayers for your contribution of 20 percent of your rebates for the next two years.

Unfortunately, the big man failed to secure the peanut and shoe factory to generate revenue for better times but why should he care? He can eat lobster anytime. You, on the other hand, will be a great help to the CNMI government by paying the employer's share that they owe the Retirement Fund. Currently, government employees do pay their share but now the government wants them to pay their employer's share as well, which is the government's liability but what can we do? They always know better. Even a court order to pay the Retirement Fund does not scare them so why should we?

You have done so well in promoting and selling yourselves to the public during your campaigns last election that you succeeded to where you are today, so remind us again what goals and positive impact to the economy, the constituents, and the CNMI as a whole have you accomplished to date. Maybe that explains the zeroing out of your budgets; you do not deserve all that money for nothing. We do expect some kind of successful performance from your part. We would appreciate an update and some clarification, though, since the media has only reported so many failures, incompetence and much political bickering amongst you. Right now, the only thing I can say is, "Thank you Kilili for all that you have done and accomplished to help the people of the CNMI. There are people who appreciate your efforts and do not consider them as grandstanding."

**Karla C. Mareham**
*Chalan Kanoa, Saipan*

# More questions than answers in USCIS regulations

With less than one hundred (100) days before Nov. 27, 2011, foreign workers' umbrella permits will cease to exist and that, uncertainties in both foreign workers and businesses alike are evident.

One of the intents of Congress in passing Title VII of the Consolidated Natural Resources Act of 2008 was to phase out the CNMI's nonresident contract worker program and phase in the U.S. federal immigration system in a manner that minimizes adverse economic and fiscal effects and maximizes the CNMI's potential for future economic and business growth. Congress also intended to provide the CNMI with as much flexibility as possible to maintain existing businesses and other revenue sources and develop new economic opportunities.

That intent is being violated because the final regulations will create more adverse economic effects due to the unsecured immigration status of foreign workers who may or may not qualify for any status. Businesses are now scaling down the number of employees and are about to discharge some due to strict CW regulations and requirements.

Where is the flexibility to maintain existing businesses and other revenue sources and develop new economic opportunities if the final regulations will drive away investors because no investor will survive if no manpower is available to get the job done? Manpower services will emerge and will hire potential labor for a cheap salary. Poor foreign workers will grab the opportunity in seeking employment through manpower agencies just so they could secure CW status. This is an indirect form of discrimination and human trafficking among foreign workers who have no other choice but to accept cuts in their salaries—by working for manpower agencies—just so they could stay to take care of their U.S. citizen children. Because of this, foreign workers stand firm and consistent in their request for a permanent resident status to be included in the final regulations.

PL. 110-229 contains a provision requiring the Department of the Interior secretary to consult with Homeland Security and the CNMI governor two years after the bill's enactment and report to Congress on the status of nonresident workers in the CNMI, including recommendations on whether Congress should consider permitting legal aliens to apply for long-term immigration status. But these provisions under PL 110-229 have not been considered in the final regulations, sad to say.

While it is true that "it's not the end of the world," it may be the end of the family that stays together, prays together, and lives together. One or two family members will soon bid goodbye, leaving the islands to go back to their country of origin due to adverse affect of the USCIS CW regulations.

The U.S. Interior Department submitted five recommendations for foreign workers statuses, the CNMI Senate recommended the FAS-like status for all foreign workers and U.S. Rep. Kilili Sablan's H.R. 1466 to give CNMI-only status to four groups of foreign workers were all forwarded to Congress but none of those favorable recommendations were considered in the final rule governing foreign workers in the CNMI. Those submissions, recommendations and consultations were all fruitless under the 8 CFR Parts 103, 214, 274)(a) regulations.

Deportation and possible rejection of applications due to incomplete requirements or other related documents as needed for processing CW applications, H or L type of status application and other travel restrictions such as CW visa, the loss of status of immediate relatives of U.S. and Freely Associated States citizens are among the expected predicaments after Nov. 27, 2011. Employers, too, will have difficulty in deciding whether to petition their foreign workers for H, L, or CW status due to economic slowdown.

Employers can only petition for a CW worker if they have already considered all available U.S. workers for the position. This rule is no different from the local labor laws. These CW regulations will also restrict foreign nationals from leaving the island for a short period of time because workers with CW status will have to secure a CW visa from a U.S. Embassy or Consulate from their country of origin, to be able to re-enter the CNMI. This is another form of indirect rejection of your privilege to travel back to CNMI because of 50/50 chances in securing a CW visa from the U.S. embassy or consulate in their country of origin. It is also another indirect form of removal proceedings of foreign nationals from the CNMI. There's no guarantee that even if a worker has been granted a CW status, he will also get a CW visa. USCIS must issue a CW visa or other document similar to advance parole before a foreign national leave the island for short time like vacation and medical purposes.

A USCIS official reiterated that there won't be any mass deportation but foreign workers who do not have jobs or who do not have employers by Nov. 27, 2011, could face deportation. How? Who will pay for the airfare? USCIS should include in the final regulations mechanics on how they will deport or eliminate foreign nationals without CW status so that poor foreign workers can start packing their personal belongings beginning Oct. 7, 2011, when employers begin processing the CWs of their employee. USCIS must also consider in the deportation proceedings the uncollected monetary obligation of the host island, like uncollected tax refunds, unpaid wages and salaries and all types of claims that is under litigation.

The CNMI is part of the country that embraces immigrants, being itself a nation of immigrants. But with these regulations, the dream of living in the land of opportunity will remain just that: a dream.

**Carlito J. Marquez**
*Puerto Rico, Saipan*

## BOOMERS

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selves that way in 1986. The number identifying as conservative rose from 28 percent to 41 percent.

The ideological reorientation of early boomers that began in the 1980s has continued. Two of the country's best long-running surveys show how those born between 1943 and 1958, the so-called near-olds at the front of the baby boom, have changed. In the 1972 American National Election Study survey, 30 percent of today's near-olds called themselves liberals. In 2008, 12 percent did. The proportion calling themselves conservative rose from 21 percent to 46 percent. In 1972, 51 percent of eligible voters in the early baby boom cohort called themselves Democrats and 29 percent Republicans. In 2008, 45 percent said they were Democrats and 48 percent said they were Republicans. The National Opinion Research Center's data also show a substantial increase (18 points) between 1974 and 2010 in conservative identification for the near-old cohort and a smaller movement in the GOP's direction. Those born between 1927 and 1942 changed far less in both surveys.

The importance of the '60s generation is magnified by its demographic weight. The near-olds vote in much higher numbers than some other groups. Census data from 2008 showed that 49 percent of the eligible voting-age population between the ages 18 and 24 turned out to vote, while 72 percent of the larger 55-to-63 group said they voted. The combined electoral heft of the near- and new-olds could dramatically alter the political landscape.

Today both groups are deeply dissatisfied with President Obama. About 43 percent of those ages 50 to 64, and just 33 percent of those over 65, approved of Obama's job performance, according to an August Gallup poll. A new poll from the Pew Research Center shows a fairly even division among registered voters in the 50- to 64-year-old baby boom group about re-electing Obama. Thirty-eight percent told the pollsters they would prefer to see him re-elected while 42 percent would like to see a Republican candidate win. In 2008, the near-olds divided their votes between Obama and Sen. John McCain, making them more Republican than the population as a whole.

Formative political experiences anchored the '60s generation in the Democratic Party, and they have not so far embraced the Republican Party as much as might be expected from their ideological transformation. It isn't clear who they will favor in 2012, but they are more open now to hearing a GOP message than they were in their early years. Both parties ignore that evolution at their peril.

*Karlyn Bowman is a senior fellow and Andrew Rugg a research associate at the American Enterprise Institute. They wrote this for the* Los Angeles Times.

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# The Weather

## 5-Day Forecast for Saipan and Tinian

| TODAY | SATURDAY | SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Mostly cloudy with scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms. Northeast winds 10 to 15 mph. | Partly cloudy with isolated showers. Southeast winds 5 to 15 mph. | Partly cloudy with isolated showers. | Partly cloudy with isolated showers. | Partly cloudy with isolated showers. |
| ▲86° ▼77° | ▲86° ▼77° | ▲87° ▼77° | ▲87° ▼77° | ▲87° ▼77° |

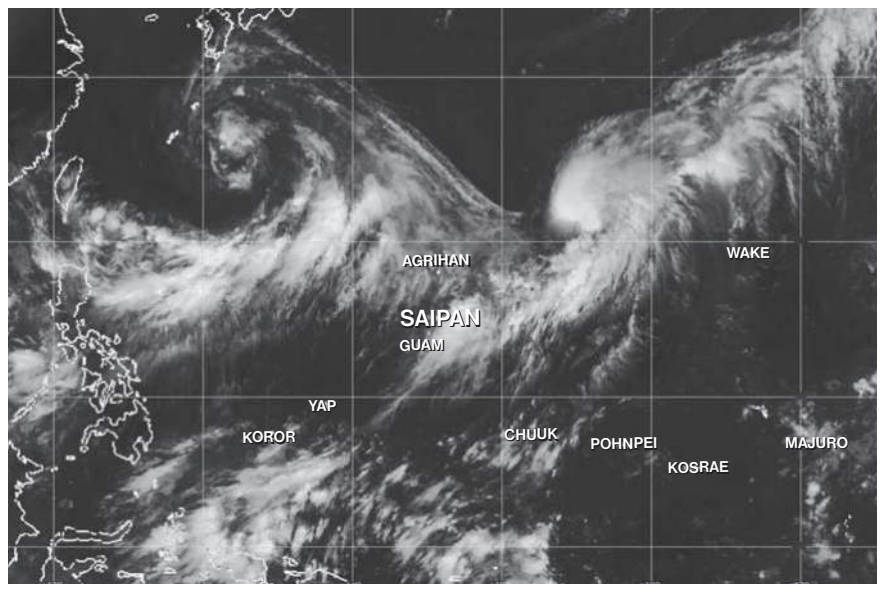
## Micronesia

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Guam and Rota | Thunderstorms | ▲84 | ▼77 |
| Palau | Showers | ▲85 | ▼77 |
| Yap | Rain | ▲85 | ▼77 |
| Chuuk | Rain | ▲84 | ▼76 |
| Pohnpei | Showers | ▲89 | ▼73 |
| Kosrae | Showers | ▲89 | ▼77 |
| Majuro | Showers | ▲85 | ▼77 |

## Around The Globe

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Auckland | Showers | ▲60 | ▼52 |
| Beijing | Mostly Cloudy | ▲68 | ▼55 |
| Hong Kong | Thundershowers | ▲89 | ▼81 |
| Honolulu | Sunny | ▲87 | ▼75 |
| London | Partly Cloudy | ▲67 | ▼55 |
| Los Angeles | Partly Cloudy | ▲72 | ▼57 |
| Manila | Thundershowers | ▲85 | ▼78 |
| Melbourne | Mostly Sunny | ▲75 | ▼48 |
| Miami | Partly Cloudy | ▲91 | ▼78 |
| New York | Mostly Sunny | ▲67 | ▼52 |
| Osaka | Thundershowers | ▲83 | ▼76 |
| Paris | Showers | ▲66 | ▼50 |
| Pusan | Thundershowers | ▲81 | ▼71 |
| Rome | Sunny | ▲88 | ▼66 |
| Salem | Partly Cloudy | ▲71 | ▼48 |
| San Francisco | Partly Cloudy | ▲60 | ▼55 |
| Seoul | Partly Cloudy | ▲85 | ▼68 |
| Tokyo | Cloudy | ▲86 | ▼75 |
| Washington, DC | Mostly Cloudy | ▲66 | ▼56 |

## Yesterday's Satellite Image




**PICTURE TIME: 1:00PM, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2011**

Western North Pacific between equator and 25N from 130E to 180.

Tropical Depression 19W is centered south of Minami Torishima at 22N155E moving north-northeast at 8 mph with maximum sustained winds of 35 mph. Numerous showers and isolated thunderstorms are found within 100 miles of the center. Scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms are also found south and east of 19W within 125 miles of a line running northeastward from east of Guam at 13N146E to 24N160E and north of Wake Island between 24N and 25N from 162E to 166E. For more information on Tropical Depression 19W, refer to bulletins issued by the Joint Typhoon Warning Center under WMO header WTPN32 PGTW and public advisories issued by the National Weather Service under WMO header WTPQ32 PGUM. Tropical Storm Roke (18W) centered about 260 miles east of Okinawa is producing scattered showers and a few thunderstorms between 23N and 25N from 130E to 135E. Scattered showers and thunderstorms are also found within 150 miles of a line from 18N130E to 23N142E. Trade-wind convergence is producing scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms south of Koror, Yap and Chuuk between the equator and 7N from 130E to 154E.

## Tides

**Saipan Harbor**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 3:49 AM | Today | Low Tide: | 0.2 Feet |
| 10:03 AM | Today | High Tide: | 1.8 Feet |
| 4:00 PM | Today | Low Tide: | 0.8 Feet |
| 9:26 PM | Today | High Tide: | 1.8 Feet |

## Sunrise/Sunset

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Today | 6:06 AM | 6:18 PM |
| Saturday | 6:06 AM | 6:18 PM |
| Sunday | 6:06 AM | 6:17 PM |
| Monday | 6:06 AM | 6:16 PM |
| Tuesday | 6:06 AM | 6:15 PM |

## Moonrise/Moonset

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|---|---|---|
| Today | 8:34 PM | 8:49 AM |
| Saturday | 9:17 PM | 9:38 AM |
| Sunday | 10:02 PM | 10:28 AM |
| Monday | 10:51 PM | 11:19 AM |
| Tuesday | 11:43 PM | 12:11 PM |

## FLIGHT SCHEDULE AS OF AUGUST 24, 2011

### DEPARTURES

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **GUAM (GUM)-ROTA (ROP)** | | | |
| C09314 | 2:20am | 2:50am | 1, 5 |
| **SAIPAN (SPN)-ROTA (ROP)** | | | |
| C09315 | 4:25am | 5:00am | 1, 5 |
| **SAIPAN-GUAM (GUM)** | | | |
| C09317 | 4:25am | 5:15am | 2, 3, 4, 6, 7 |
| C09315 | 4:25am | 6:00am | 1, 5 via ROP |
| C09313 | 7:55am | 8:45am | 3, 6 |
| C09313 | 8:30am | 9:20am | 1, 2, 4, 5, 7 |
| C09601 | 12:10pm | 1:00pm | 1, 4, 5, 7 |
| C09603 | 3:05pm | 3:55pm | 1, 2, 4, 5, 7 |
| 5K386 | 5:50pm | 6:40pm | 4 |
| C09605 | 6:35pm | 7:25pm | Daily |
| C09599 | 9:35pm | 10:25pm | Daily |
| **SAIPAN-NAGOYA (NGO)** | | | |
| 5K212 | 8:20am | 10:55am | 1, 3, 4, 5, 7 |
| **SAIPAN-OSAKA (KIX)** | | | |
| 0Z119 | 4:00am | 6:40am | Daily |
| **SAIPAN-NARITA (NRT)** | | | |
| DL287 | 6:05am | 8:45am | Daily |
| DL297 | 4:35pm | 7:15pm | Daily |
| **SAIPAN-SEOUL (ICN)** | | | |
| 0Z606 | 2:20am | 6:00am | 1 |
| 0Z606 | 2:50am | 6:30am | 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 |
| 0Z119 | 4:00am | 11:25am | Daily via KIX |
| 0Z604 | 3:30pm | 7:00pm | 2, 4, 6, 7 |
| **SAIPAN-GUANZHOU (CAN)** | | | |
| 3U8646 | 4:20am | 7:30am | 2, 6 |
| **SAIPAN-SHANGHAI (PVG)** | | | |
| 3U8648 | 6:05am | 8:30am | 1, 5 |
| **SAIPAN-MANILA (MNL)** | | | |
| 0Z606/701 | 2:20am | 11:15am | 1 via ICN |
| 0Z606/701 | 2:50am | 11:15am | 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 via ICN |
| C09317/191 | 4:25am | 9:45am | 3, 6 via GUM |
| DL287/173 | 6:05am | 9:55pm | Daily via NRT |
| C09313/183 | 7:55am | 8:40pm | 3, 6 via GUM |
| C09603/183 | 3:05pm | 8:40pm | 1, 2, 4, 5, 7 via GUM |
| C09603/193 | 3:05pm | 10:10pm | 2, 5 via GUM-Palau |
| C09599/PR111 | 9:30pm | 7:50am | 1, 3, 5, 6, 7 via GUM |
| **SAIPAN-HONG KONG (HKG)** | | | |
| 0Z606/721 | 2:20am | 11:50am | 1 via ICN |
| 0Z606/721 | 2:50am | 11:50am | 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 via ICN |
| C09603/179 | 3:05pm | 9:25pm | 1, 5 via GUM |
| 0Z604/749 | 3:30pm | 11:00pm | 7 via ICN |

### ARRIVALS

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|---|---|---|---|
| **ROTA (ROP)-GUAM (GUM)** | | | |
| C09315 | 5:30am | 6:00am | 1, 5 |
| **ROTA (ROP)-SAIPAN (SPN)** | | | |
| C09314 | 3:20am | 3:55am | 1, 5 |
| **GUAM (GUM)-SAIPAN** | | | |
| C09314 | 2:20am | 3:55am | 1, 5 via ROP |
| C09316 | 2:45am | 3:35am | 2, 3, 4, 6, 7 |
| 5K387 | 6:30am | 7:20am | 3, 4, 7 |
| C09596 | 6:35am | 7:25am | 3, 6 |
| C09596 | 7:00am | 7:50am | 1, 2, 4, 5, 7 |
| C09600 | 10:05am | 10:55am | 1, 2, 4, 5, 7 |
| C09602 | 1:40pm | 2:30pm | 1, 4, 5, 7 |
| C09604 | 5:10pm | 6:00pm | Daily |
| C09606 | 8:10pm | 9:00pm | Daily |
| **NAGOYA (NGO)-SAIPAN** | | | |
| 5K213 | 11:55am | 4:25pm | 1, 3, 4, 5, 7 |
| **OSAKA (KIX)-SAIPAN** | | | |
| 0Z120 | 9:50pm | 2:20am+1 | Daily |
| **NARITA (NRT)-SAIPAN** | | | |
| DL298 | 10:25am | 3:00pm | Daily |
| DL288 | 8:05pm | 12:45am+1 | Daily |
| **SEOUL (ICN)-SAIPAN** | | | |
| 0Z603 | 9:00am | 2:30pm | 2, 4, 6, 7 |
| 0Z120 | 7:10pm | 2:20am+1 | Daily via KIX |
| 0Z605 | 7:40pm | 1:10am+1 | 7 |
| 0Z605 | 8:10pm | 1:40am+1 | 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 |
| **GUANZHOU (CAN)-SAIPAN** | | | |
| 3U8645 | 7:40pm | 3:00am+1 | 1, 5 |
| **SHANGHAI (PVG)-SAIPAN** | | | |
| 3U8647 | 10:40pm | 5:00am+1 | 4, 7 |
| **MANILA (MNL)-SAIPAN** | | | |
| 0Z704/603 | 12:10am | 2:30pm | 2, 4, 6, 7 via ICN |
| DL172/288 | 7:45am | 12:35am+1 | Daily via NRT |
| 0Z702/605 | 12:45pm | 1:10am+1 | 7 via ICN |
| 0Z702/605 | 12:45pm | 1:40am+1 | 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 via ICN |
| C0190/9606 | 10:55am | 9:00pm | 3, 6 via GUM |
| C0192/9596 | 9:55pm | 7:25am+1 | 2, 5 via GUM-Palau |
| C0184/9596 | 10:55pm | 7:50am+1 | 1, 3, 4, 6, 7 via GUM |
| C0184/9596 | 11:25pm | 7:50am+1 | 2, 5 via GUM |
| PR110/C09596 | 10:00pm | 7:25am | 5, via GUM |
| PR110/C09596 | 10:00pm | 7:50am | 1, 3, 6, 7 via GUM |
| **HONG KONG (HKG)-SAIPAN** | | | |
| 0Z724/603 | 12:30am | 2:30pm | 2, 4, 6, 7 via ICN |
| 0Z750/603 | 1:00am | 2:30pm | 2, 4, 6 via ICN |
| 0Z722/605 | 1:25pm | 1:10am+1 | 7 via ICN |
| 0Z722/605 | 1:25pm | 1:40am+1 | 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 via ICN |
| C0180/9596 | 10:30pm | 7:25am+1 | 5 via GUM |
| C0180/9596 | 10:30pm | 7:50am+1 | 1 via GUM |

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## FREEDOM AIR FLIGHT SCHEDULE

| Airline | ETD | ETA | Frequency |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Guam–Rota** | | | |
| FRE 100 | 7:30 | 8:00 | Daily |
| **Rota–Saipan** | | | |
| FRE 100 | 8:20 | 8:50 | Daily |
| **Guam–Rota** | | | |
| FRE 300 | 17:00 | 17:30 | Daily |
| **Rota–Saipan** | 17:50 | 18:20 | Daily |
| **Saipan–Rota** | | | |
| FRE 200 | 9:30 | 10:00 | Daily |
| **Rota–Guam** | 10:20 | 10:45 | Daily |
| **Saipan–Rota** | | | |
| FRE 400 | 18:55 | 19:25 | Daily |
| **Rota–Guam** | | | |
| FRE 400 | 19:40 | 20:10 | Daily |
| **Saipan–Tinian** | | | |
| FRE 101 | 6:45 | 6:55 | Daily |
| FRE 103 | 7:30 | 7:40 | Daily |
| FRE 105 | 8:00 | 8:10 | Daily |
| FRE 107 | 8:40 | 8:50 | Daily |
| FRE 109 | 9:10 | 9:20 | Daily |
| FRE 111 | 10:45 | 10:55 | Daily |

| Airline | ETD | ETA | Frequency |
|---|---|---|---|
| FRE 115 | 13:00 | 13:10 | Daily |
| FRE 117 | 14:30 | 14:40 | Daily |
| FRE 119 | 16:00 | 16:10 | Daily |
| FRE 121 | 16:40 | 16:50 | Daily |
| FRE 123 | 17:40 | 17:50 | Daily |
| FRE 125 | 18:30 | 18:40 | Daily |
| **Tinian–Saipan** | | | |
| FRE 102 | 7:05 | 7:15 | Daily |
| FRE 104 | 7:50 | 8:00 | Daily |
| FRE 106 | 8:20 | 8:30 | Daily |
| FRE 108 | 9:00 | 9:10 | Daily |
| FRE 110 | 10:00 | 10:10 | Daily |
| FRE 112 | 11:05 | 11:15 | Daily |
| FRE 114 | 12:00 | 12:10 | Daily |
| FRE 116 | 13:30 | 13:40 | Daily |
| FRE 118 | 14:50 | 15:00 | Daily |
| FRE 120 | 16:20 | 16:30 | Daily |
| FRE 122 | 17:00 | 17:10 | Daily |
| FRE 124 | 18:05 | 18:15 | Daily |
| FRE 126 | 18:50 | 19:00 | Daily |

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CORAL OCEAN POINT

# Flurry of promotions under new management

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Coral Ocean Point has recently launched several promotions that local patrons can enjoy now that the premier golf resort is under new management.

"Now that Coral Ocean Point is under new management, we have come up with promotions that offer affordable rates for our services and amenities to encourage more local residents to patronize our resort," said the management.

While some of Coral Ocean Point's facilities are undergoing renovation to better serve its clientele, other amenities remain open for their clients' indulgence.

## End of Summer golf promo

Golf enthusiasts can spend tee time with Coral Ocean Point's End of Summer promo. Golfers who want to play at the resort's 18-hole championship golf course will only pay $20 per person. A group rate of $15 per person per group of six is also available.

The golf course promotion will run from Sept. 10 to 24. For more information, call 234-7000 and look for Herman Taitano or Thompson Palikun.

## Shahnaz Herbal Spa

For spa aficionados, Coral Ocean Point's Shahnaz Herbal Spa is a reasonably priced sanctuary.

Pamper your feet and legs with a 20-minute foot massage for just $10. If you want the full body rubdown, opt for the 60-minute sports massage for only $25.

"At Shahnaz Herbal Spa, you'll get a spa treatment that you deserve after a day's work," the management said.

The massage promotion runs from Sept. 10 to 24. For more information, call 234-7000 and look for Takahiro Omori or Miki Morales.

## Lunch buffet, happy hour, Sunday brunch

Sango Restaurant, one of Coral Ocean Point's dining outlets, started offering on Sept. 12 the daily theme lunch buffets inclusive of bottomless iced tea.

The restaurant serves seafood dishes on Monday, Filipino dishes on Tuesday, International dishes on Wednesday, Japanese dishes on Thursday, and Chamorro dishes on Friday.

Sango lunch buffet, which is offered from 11am to 2pm, costs only $8 per adult and $5 for children 11 years and below. Tourists are charged $10 each.

Those who can't make it to the lunch buffet can go for Sango's Sunday Brunch where they serve an array of delectable dishes from 10am to 2pm.

Brunch rates for local residents are $2.50 for children 3 years old and below; $12 for children 4 to 12 years old; and $15 for 13 years or older.

Sango Restaurant also offers Sunday Brunch with water pass for only $5 for children 3 years old and below; $15 for children 4 to 12 years old; and $20 for 13 years or older.

Customers can also enjoy Happy Hour at Sango on Thursday and Friday from 4pm to 7pm where they can take advantage of 50 percent discount on all drinks. However, chasers are not included in the discount.

Visit Coral Ocean Point and delight in its magnificent ocean beachfront while enjoying their various promotions that go easy on the budget. For reservations, appointment or more information, call 234-7000.

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Coral Ocean Point Resort Club
UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT

END OF SUMMER PROMO FOR GOLF AT COP
$20.00 PER PERSON PER ROUND OF GOLF
$15.00 PER PERSON PER GROUP OF 6
BEGINS ON SEPTEMBER 10TH AND ENDS ON SEPTEMBER 24TH, 2011
HURRY IN AND ENJOY THE PLAY AT OUR 18-HOLES CHAMPIONSHIP GOLF COURSE!

SUNDAY BRUNCH AT SANGO
FROM 10:00 A.M. TO 2:00 P.M.

LOCALS
3 YRS AND BELOW $ 2.50 ($ 5.00 W/ WATER PASS)
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13 YRS. OLD & UP $ 15.00 ($ 20.00 W/ WATER PASS)

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4-12 YRS. OLD $ 15.00
13 YRS. OLD & UP $ 20.00

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LOCAL $ 8.00
TOURIST $ 10.00
CHILDREN (11 & BELOW) $ 5.00

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MONDAY – SEAFOOD DISHES
TUESDAY – FILIPINO DISHES
WEDNESDAY – INTERNATIONAL DISHES
THURSDAY – JAPANESE DISHES
FRIDAY – CHAMORRO DISHES

OPENS 11:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.

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# 2011 MMAC raised $113K in gross revenue

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The 2011 Marianas March Against Cancer event, the largest fundraising efforts of Commonwealth Cancer Association, raised a total of $113,690.92 in gross revenue from cash and in-kind donations.

Based on a report prepared by the accounting committee of MMAC, sponsorships from business establishments amounted to $58,044.12. Of this amount, cash donations were $36,129.20 while in-kind contributions were $21,914.92.

The event, held at the Hopwood Junior High School Field last May 13 to 14, raised $55,646.80. Of this amount, $4,650 came from registration, $6,214 from luminaries sale, $10,375 from the raffle, $4,282 for shirt sale, while $30,125.80 were from other fundraising efforts.

Of the money collected from the actual event, Team Pacific Islands Club, Pution or Corporate category winner, raised $16,290.50 while Team Bodig, Pu'lan or Family category winner, raised $10,583.

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Cash and in-kind donations for the 2011 Marianas March Against Cancer totaled $113,690.92, according MMAC.

Expenses for the 2011 MMAC amounted to $19,828.86. The highest expense posted was the purchase of shirts for $4,207, followed by the green fees for the use of Laolao Bay Golf Resort for $3,560, then the purchase of candles for $2,542.50.

Bud White, CCA board chair, said the 2011 MMAC committee was conscientious in managing the financial aspects of the event.

"I felt comfortable the way it was ran. I'm appreciative of what the volunteers do and appreciative of the community for the support they provide also to the community," White told *Saipan Tribune.*

Dave B. Guerrero, 2011 MMAC overall committee chair, said raising over $110,000 and surpassing last year's revenue mark was "awesome."

"What's astounding is that we were able to raise this amount in a challenging economic environment. For me, this shows that our community has a big heart and is willing to support the fight against cancer," he said.

Guerrero and White thanked the committee members, sponsors, and volunteers who have made this year's event a "resounding success."

White added that the money raised will be used to support their projects such as providing financial assistance to cancer patients as well as offering support to both patients and survivors in the form of wheelchairs, wigs, walkers, and hospital beds.

"We do everything we can to support people undergoing treatment, we do everything we can to support survivors, we do everything we can to support the community," he said.

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This September 24, people all around the world are joining together for Moving Planet--a worldwide rally to demand solutions to the climate crisis. We'll use this one day to help move beyond fossil fuels. Bring your friends, families, neighbors and co-workers. Come be a part of a global effort to combat climate change. Learn about climate change and the Micronesia Challenge and how to look out for coral bleaching events.
Date: Saturday, September 24, 2011
Registration: 6:30 a.m.
Meeting place: Garapan Fishing Base
Route: Garapan Fishing Base to American Memorial Park, Garapan (drinks will be provided at the end of the bike ride and a presentation on coral watch).
This is an eco-friendly event! Water and ice will be provided, but we encourage you to bring your own water bottles. Free trees will also be given away while supplies last.
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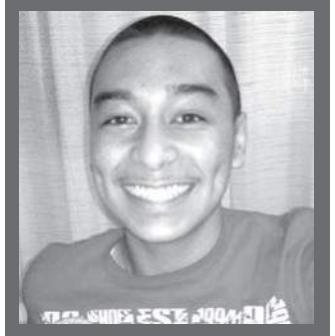
This is a Micronesia Challenge event sponsored by the Coral Reef Initiative, DEQ, CRM, and the Mariana Islands Nature Alliance (MINA).

## BIRTHDAY SHOUTOUTS



Happy birthday to Brent Cabrera Deleon Guerrero. We love you and may you have a splendid day! Greetings come from your family and friends.

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Happy birthday to Lester Guevarra who is turning 13 years old today, Sept. 16.

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# More people getting passports for medical reasons, studies

By MONETH G. DEPOSA
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More local residents are now applying for passports for the first time because of medical reasons and scholarship programs, factors that were cited as the main reasons for an increase in the number of passports issued in the CNMI.

Jenny Castro-Norita, supervisor of the U.S. passport acceptance agent, said that in 2009, they processed about 3,200 applications compared to 2010 with about 3,000 applicants.

For calendar year 2011, Castro-Norita said the office has so far processed about 1,900 and the figure is expected to increase before the year ends.

"Aside from people just renewing their passports, we've seen an increase with our local residents applying for passports for the first time especially due to medical reasons, and with young adults enrolled at a college who are required to show proof of U.S. citizenship to qualify for federal assistance," she told *Saipan Tribune* yesterday.

She last year they saw an increase in naturalized citizens applying for U.S. passports.

Castro-Norita also noted an increase in applicants for passport cards. Passport cards can be used to enter the United States from Canada, Mexico, the Caribbean, and Bermuda at land border crossings or seaports of entry.

Although the passport card cannot be used for international travel, it is less expensive than a passport book and some applicants find it more convenient.

"Some of our passport card applicants are retired individuals and only need it for Social Security benefit, some just for additional identification rather than carrying their passports every time, and travels between Guam," she said.

Meantime, Castro-Norita announced that although the original date for Passport Day in the U.S. was postponed at the last minute due to the potential shutdown of the federal government, the Saipan office continued its plan to open the office to assist customers.

The U.S. Department of State has announced that Sept. 17, 2011 is "Passport Day in the USA," a national annual event that began in March 2009.

"Although Sept. 17 is a Saturday, the Saipan U.S. Passport Office will be open from 10am until 3pm to handle passport applications and inquiries. Working parents, this is your chance not to miss work, as your kids with school so save the date and visit us! Pass it on, and we hope to see you," Castro-Norita added.

For more information, call the U.S. Passport Office at 664-4760/61/62 or visit www.travel.state.gov.

# Fitial soon to unveil initiative for 20-year plan, a new vision

Gov. Benigno R. Fitial announced yesterday that his administration is embarking on an exploratory initiative reaching out to the islands' citizens and a diversity of stakeholders on determining the need for developing a long-term 20-year plan and a new vision for the island communities of the Commonwealth.

The recent U.S. Census findings that the Commonwealth experienced a 22-percent outward migration is one of several factors that influenced the governor's new initiative. The islands need to be proactive and embrace sustainable practices to navigate challenging times and to chart their future and destiny to be self-sufficient.

For more information, contact Tom Linden at mio@gov.mp. ***(Office of the Governor)***

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Lunch 11:00am - 3:00pm
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September Lunch Bento Special
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Wednesday: Shrimp Tempura, Hamburger Steak, Salad, Coco, Rice, Ramen
Thursday: Squid Teppanyaki, Fried Chicken, Salad,Coco, Rice, Ramen
Friday: Shrimp Tempura, Pork Rib Barbecue, Salad, Coco, Rice, Ramen
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# Man gets 10 years for sex abuse

Keichiro Anua pleaded guilty yesterday in the CNMI Superior Court to sexually abusing a minor.

Associate Judge Kenneth L. Govendo accepted the plea and sentenced Anua to 25 years in prison, with 10 to serve. He must pay a $5,000 fine, court costs and probation fees, and will be on probation for 10 years beginning when he is released from custody. Also, he must submit to the test required by 6 CMC sec. 1312, and register as a sex offender, among other conditions.

The sexual abuse occurred on May 23, 2011. Anua has been in custody since his arrest on May 24, 2011. Assistant attorney general Shelli Neal and Chief Prosecutor Michael Ernest prosecuted the case.

"I am pleased with the investigation of this case; DPS did a thorough and professional job," Ernest said. "Also, AAG Shelli Neal is to be commended for her diligence in reaching a quick and final resolution to this case. The people of the CNMI were well served by her efforts."

Attorney General Edward T. Buckingham praised the Criminal Division, stating: "This case reflects the positive changes and exceptional efforts we've been making at the AGO. The defendant was given a fair but revocable offer and his discovery packet well before his arraignment; had he attempted to be freed on bail, the offer would have been immediately revoked. The Criminal Division is working to keep the CNMI safer, and is doing a commendable job."

This case was charged and completed in less than four months. ***(Office of the Governor)***

## COMMUNITY BRIEFS

### Next stop for dog tag registration is Kagman

The next dog tag registration will be set from Sept. 19 to Sept. 30 at the village of Kagman. Registration will start at 9am and end at 4pm. There will be no dog tag registration today, Sept. 16. ***(PR)***

### Traditional crafts-making demo set to tomorrow

The Inetnon Amot yan Kutturan Natibu/Mwiischil Safey me Kkoor Aramasal Faluw is offering demonstrations on weaving, bead making, and traditional medicine and food at the Saipan Chamorro-Carolinian Village Cultural Centers Headquarters this Saturday, Sept. 17. The demonstrations will start at 9:30am to about 12noon. Children and adult Chamorros and Carolinians are invited to attend.

These activities are offered by the Association of Native Medicine and Culture, in partnership with the Indigenous Affairs Office and funded in part by the Administration for Native Americans. For more information, call 322-0278. The Saipan Chamorro-Carolinian Village Cultural Centers Headquarters is located at 1213 Capitol Hill Rd, across from the Workforce Investment Agency and next to the CNMI Board of Parole Office. ***(PR)***

### Marriage Encounter Weekend coming up

Help turn a good marriage into a great one through a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend! The CNMI's next Marriage Encounter Weekend will be held on Oct. 14-16, 2011, at the Aqua Resort Saipan. Cost is $50 per couple.

For further information or a registration form, contact any of the below listed individuals:

- Tom & Erica Thornburgh: 287-9205 or 285-6372; ericathornburgh@gmail.com
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- You may also contact the Ecclesial Team/executive board members:
- Fr. Ike Ayuyu: 234-8888; ikeayuyu@gmail.com
- Vince & Hilma Castro: 287-8089; saipanlovers@gmail.com

### Free business devt workshops set

The CNMI Small Business Development Center, in partnership with the Saipan Chamber of Commerce, is inviting the public to a series of free business development workshops. The Guam branch of the Small Business Administration will be doing presentations on HUBZone Programs and SBA Programs.

- HUBZone Programs: Sept. 14, 2011, 9am to 11am
- SBA Programs: Sept. 15, 2011, 9am to 11am

Both workshops will be held at the Saipan Chamber of Commerce office on the first floor of the Familia Building in Garapan. For more information, contact Ralph Yumul or Linda Cabrera at 664-3018 or email linda@pacificsbdc.com Requests for reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities must be made 72 hours in advance. For arrangements, contact the CNMI SBDC at 664-3018. ***(PR)***

**PREPAREDNESS MONTH** HAIDEE V. EUGENIO

Lt. Gov. Eloy S. Inos, second from left, joins members of the Community Emergency Response Team for a group photo after signing a proclamation on Sept. 8 declaring September 2011 "National Preparedness Month," which seeks to raise awareness on the importance of being prepared for any type of emergency including natural disasters and potential terrorist attacks. More information about preparedness is available at ready.gov.

### *Saipan Tribune* columnist on *Marianas Agupa*

This Saturday, Sept. 17, 2011, *Marianas Agupa* will feature *Saipan Tribune* columnist John DelRosario Jr. between 10am to 10:30am. The show is from 9am to 11am on Magic 100.3 FM. The discussion will be on the newly enacted Retirement Derivative Act and Article 12. The Chamorro radio talk show program is hosted by Glenn H. Manglona. It will also feature reports by former mayor Joseph S. Inos, Thomas D. Mendiola, Juanita Mendiola, and former senator David M. Cing. Simultaneous Internet streaming via www.magic100radio.com will be available. ***(PR)***

### Group holds bagging activity tomorrow at Joeten Susupe

On Saturday, Sept. 17, members of the Commonwealth Substance Abuse Prevention and Recovery Coalition will hold a bagging activity at Joeten Shopping Center where health brochures and freebies will be handed in to customers from 8am to 12pm. These activities are in line with the monthlong

*See BRIEFS on Next Page*

**NORTHERN MARIANAS HOUSING CORPORATION**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

This is to notify all interested Tinian, Rota and other off-island bidders for the NMHC auctions scheduled for September 27, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. and October 4, 2011 which is also at 10:00 a.m., located at the NMHC conference room in Garapan, Saipan, that if you cannot physically attend the auction on these dates, you can participate by teleconference in the auction process by calling NMHC, on those dates and times, at telephone numbers 234-6866, 9447, 7689, or 7670. However, please be advised that all auction requirements for the acceptance of a winning bid by NMHC, such as the timely payment of the required deposit and full payment of the purchase price, will remain the same for all bidders. For more information on the properties to be auctioned, please see the Saipan Tribune announcements for September 16, 23, and 30 or call NMHC for more information.

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**NOTICE OF AUCTION**
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The Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, hereinafter referred to as NMHC, as auctioneer and seller, hereby gives notice that all of the rights, title, and interests of the following described real property situated in As Matuis, Saipan, CNMI will be sold at an auction:

Lot No. 045 A 064, containing an area of 949 square meters, more or less, as shown on the Division of Lands and Surveys Official Cadastral Plat Number 045 A 003 dated July 12, 1989, Commonwealth Recorder's File No. 90-1671, the description therein being incorporated herein by reference, together with the improvements and fixtures located thereon and therein and the appurtenances and all the rights, title, and interest of, in, and to the land lying in all streets, highways, and rights of ways abutting on or appurtenant to said premises.

**Minimum Bid:** The minimum bid for the property mentioned above in this notice shall be $80,000.00.

The auction will be open to the general public and will be held at NMHC's conference room, Garapan, Saipan, at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 27, 2011, subject to the following announced terms and conditions:

1. Reserve: The auction sale shall be held with reserve.
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   c. To reject any and all bids.
3. Bids: Tentative bids may be submitted in advance for the property listed in this notice. Such bids shall not be binding, except that the highest of such bids will automatically be considered the opening bid for the item. Bids may be entered in person, in writing, or by telephone to Mr. Joshua T. Sasamoto, Corporate Director, NMHC, P.O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950; Telephone: 234-6866; Facsimile: 234-9021; or to Mr. Vicente T. Salas, Esq., P.O. Box 501309, Saipan, MP 96950; Telephone: 234-7455; Facsimile: 234-7256.
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6. Inspection and No Warranty: Bidders are cautioned to inspect the title and property; contact NMHC for scheduled viewing and inspection times. The interests of the property are being sold "AS IS" and without warranty. Failure to inspect the real property will not constitute a ground for any claim, adjustment or rescission by any buyer.

Dated this 19th day of August, 2011.

/s/ JOSHUA T. SASAMOTO, Corporate Director

**Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands**
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# NOTICE OF APPLICATION
**SEPTEMBER 01, 2011**

**THE FOLLOWING IS A PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT OF COASTAL PERMIT APPLICATIONS RECEIVED BY THE CRM OFFICES:**

| APPLICANT | DATE APPLICATION RECEIVED | APPLICATION PROJECT DESCRIPTION | LOCATION | TYPE | STATUS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. DEPT OF PUBLIC LANDS | 06/20/11 RMS-2011-X-041 | Finafa Homestead Subdivision | Rota, Finafa | MAJOR SITINGS | APPROVED (09/08/2011)* |
| 2. CUC | 09/02/2011 SSm-2011-X-053 | New Replacement Tank 101 | Power Plant 1 & 2 | Ports & Industrial APC | APPROVED (09/15/2011)* |
| 3. KURA-LING DIVE CO. | 09/06/2011 STR/LRm-2011-X-054 | Scuba Diving Operation | SAIPAN & TINIAN | LAGOON & REEF APC | APPROVED 09/15/2011)* |
| 4. SANDY BEACH HOMES | 09/09/2011 SPIm-2010-X-062 (AMEND) | Parking & Generator Room | Chalan Kanoa | Amendment | UNDER REVIEW |

Publication of the above list is in accordance with CRM Regulations, which require all permit applications to be published in a local newspaper within 15 days of receipt of application. The list reflects recently received permit applications and those with a recent change in status. New applications are marked with an asterisk (*).

The Public is invited to submit written comments regarding any of the above projects for which a permit decision has not been issued. All permit comments should identify the project by application number. Your comments should be mailed or hand-delivered to the CRM Office. All persons who desire a public hearing regarding any project may do so by submitting a written request for a public hearing to the CRM Office within fourteen (14) days for minor permits (APC's) and proposed amended major sitings. Public Hearings are required for all new major siting projects. All public hearing notices are published in a local newspaper of general circulation. Residents of Rota and Tinian may submit comments and hearing requests to their local CRM Coordinator. Persons wishing to retain the right to appeal a CRM Permit decision must file a notice of appeal with the CRM office within thirty (30) days of the issuance of the CRM permit decision as provided in Part 200 § 15-10-235 of the CRM Regulations.

# Cultural dance group to compete in South Korea

The Inetnon Gefpa'go Cultural Arts Program has been invited to compete in the Folk Dance Competition in Cheonan City, South Korea from Sept. 28 to Oct. 5.

Only a select group are chosen and invited from around the world, and because of the group's recent European tour in 2010, they were selected.

"This is an invitation only competition and promises to bring in the very best of folkdance from around the world. It is also significant to our island as this is the first time that Guam will compete in such an event," said Vince Reyes, executive director of the program and dance instructor.

Just this year alone, they attended competitions in the Philippines and Korea, walking away with the Most Popular Performance and Best Folklore Performance awards, respectively.

Countries participating in the Korea competition include Kosovo, Russia (Khabarovsk), Malaysia, Slovakia, Georgia, Italy, Polynesia, China, Estonia, Indonesia, Guam, Singapore, Poland, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Mexico (Moots), Mexico (Estampas), Thailand, the Philippines, Brazil, Bulgaria, Tuva, Turkmenistan and Sierra Leone.

Inetnon Gefpa'go is an award-winning program whose mission is to promote awareness and pride in the Chamorro Heritage through performance arts.

This is accomplished through youth interaction with traditional Master Artists, community presentations and cultural exchange. Membership in the group begins in middle school, where students undergo extensive cultural arts and dance training to be selected as part of the school's performing group. Membership then continues into the community-based, high school and adult after-school program. Here they further their cultural learning, continue performing throughout the island and represent Guam at major tourism promotions and festivals around the world. ***(PR)***

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celebration of National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month in the CNMI. ***(PR)***

### SIS Fun Run tomorrow

Saipan International School is having its 11th SIS 5K Fun Run this Saturday beginning at Banzai Cliff. Registration starts at 6am. Race starts at 7am. Registration fee is $10. First 120 participants will receive a T-shirt and a raffle ticket. We have really great prizes, such a one-night stay at Fiesta Resort & Spa Saipan and at Pacific Islands Club Saipan, dinner certificates, golf entrances, spa entrances, etc. For registration or more information, contact Mili Saiki at 288-9660 or milisaiki@hotmail.com. ***(PR)***

### Veterans outreach in September

Tina San Agustin, the Department of Veterans Affairs' legal administrative specialist for Guam and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, will be on Saipan on Sept. 28-29, 2011, for a Veterans Outreach on veterans' federal benefits. She will be also entertaining questions and assisting veterans and all concerned with their claims.

Agustin will be stationed at the Military and Veterans Affairs Office on Capitol Hill, building 1364, Saipan, from 8:30am to 4:30pm on both days.

For those who wish to make an appointment or for further information, contact Bernie B. Dela Cruz at the Office of Military and Veterans Affairs at 664-2650. ***(PR)***

### Humanities Council to present lecture series with Chamorrica scholars

The general public is invited to a presentation by Prof. Dr. Thomas Stolz and Barbara Dewein, who will share information related to the Chamorrica project. The lecture will take place on Saturday, Sept. 17, at 10am at the American Memorial Park Visitors Center Theatre. Admission is free and open to the public.

Chamorrica aims to translate, re-edit, and annotate various documents on the Chamorro language that were produced between 1668 and 1950. Members of the community will have an opportunity to ask questions about the project and to share with the visiting scholars concerns related to Chamorro language planning and revitalization.

From the Universitat Bremen in Germany, Stoltz and Dewein are also meeting with local researchers and scholars involved in efforts to study and preserve the Chamorro language.

For more information, please call 235-4785 or visit the Council website at www.nmihumanities.org. ***(PR)***

# Guam receives $454K in federal grant assistance

**WASHINGTON, D.C.**— Congresswoman Madeleine Z. Bordallo recently announced that the government of Guam has been awarded $454,777 in federal financial assistance.

Bordallo

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development awarded $197,700 to the Guam Housing and Urban Development Renewal Authority (GHURA) for the Service Coordinators in Multifamily Housing program. This program allows multifamily housing owners to assist elderly individuals and individuals with disabilities to obtain needed support services from the community and to enable them to continue living as independently as possible in their homes. The funds will be used to cover Service Coordinators' administrative expenses, office space, training, and equipment.

The National Park Service awarded $103,630 to the Guam Department of Parks and Recreation for improvements to the Dededo sports complex. The funding will be used to purchase modest bleacher seating for three of four newly constructed baseball fields as well as extending existing dugouts for all four ball fields.

The U.S. Department of Justice awarded $101,389 in federal grant assistance to the Office of the Attorney General. The funds are part of the FY11 John R. Justice program and will be used to support loan repayment for public defenders and prosecutors in Guam who agree to remain employed as public defenders and prosecutors for at least three years.

The Department of Justice has also awarded $52,058 to the Guam Bureau of Statistics and Plans as part of the FY11 Violent Gang and Gun Crime Reduction Program. The funding will be used to help improve the Guam Police Department's Forensic Science Division's ability to analyze and identify firearms used in the commission of a violent crime. The funding will also be used to support the Gang Resistance Education And Training (GREAT) program, which educates students against delinquency, youth violence, and gang membership.

"These federal funds will be used to support various programs administered by the Government of Guam," said Congresswoman Bordallo. "These grants help to address needs in our community and will enable Government of Guam agencies to implement important programs. I commend the agencies for their efforts to win these grants." ***(PR)***

# APAFS presents back-to-back fiduciary events in October

In line with the Asia Pacific Association for Fiduciary Studies' goal in providing the region's trustees with relevant and continued training, the Pacific Region Investment Conference now offers one of the most sought after designations in the field of investment—the Accredited Investment Fiduciary, or AIF, designation.

Raising the bar this year with its theme, "Step Up! Earn the Accredited Fiduciary Designation, the Global Standard for Fiduciary Excellence," this year's PRIC will be held on Oct. 20-21, 2011, at the New World Hotel, in Manila, the Philippines and offers the AIF Training, which will be facilitated by Fi360 CEO Blaine Aikin, two days prior to the conference, on Oct. 18-19.

The AIF training will teach participants how to articulate the legal and regulatory environment impacting the fiduciary; determine the prudent process that an investment fiduciary should follow; conduct a fiduciary review, prepare investment policy statements; implement an investment strategy; conduct due diligence on investment advisers, financial planners, and fund managers; and implement socially responsible investment strategies, among others.

"The best way to lead fiduciaries is constantly offer relevant training and learning. That is what the partnership with Fi360 will bring to the PRIC," said Dan Roland, CIMA, executive director of APAFS. Roland has also been asked by the Global Investment Performance Standards Executive Committee to serve on the Promotion and Awareness Subcommittee of GIPS. This committee acts as a forum to generate ideas for the betterment of the industry.

The GIPS standards aim to build a level field, an equal comparison by dictating the standards on the way investment managers analyze and present performance to clients.

APAFS' registration for the PRIC and the Fi360 AIF Training is ongoing. Register via www.brandspeakasia.com/apafs2011/. Further details regarding the Fi360 AIF Training and the 11th Annual PRIC is posted at www.apafs.org. ***(APAFS)***

**BIRTHDAY SHOUTOUT**

Happy 10th birthday to Adam Frank Borja Salalila. You have always made us proud, and we hope you always continue to do so. May God bless you with his love, warmth and courage, on this special day. Wishing you a very sweet and happy birthday. We are glad to have a son like you. With love, Dad, Mom, and brothers.

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**INVITATION FOR BIDS**

**NMC BID#: IFB 11-0003**

**AIR CONDITIONING MAINTENANCE SERVICE**

Northern Marianas College is soliciting competitive sealed bids for the procurement of Termite and Pest Control Services.

Specifications and Scope of Work packages may be picked up at the **NMC Procurement Office, Bldg. L, 2nd Floor, commencing Monday (August 22, 2011) to Friday between the hours of 8: 30-11:30 a.m. and 1:00-4:00 p.m.**

**Bid Packages are due no later than 10:00 a.m. September 20, 2011,** at Northern Marianas College, As Terlaje Campus, Procurement Office, Bldg. L, 2nd Floor, Saipan, MP 96950. You may request a copy of the IFB 11-0003 packet via fax (670) 235-7601 or e-mail to Anita Camacho (anitac@nmcnet.edu).

Sealed bids must be marked "NMC IFB 11-0003" for bidders within the CNMI, an original and 4 copies of sealed bids must be submitted to NMC Procurement and Property Management Office, no later than 10:00 a.m local time September 20, 2011. Bidders outside the CNMI may obtain an additional (7) working days for receipt of their bids by submitting a Notice of intent to bid. Notice of intent to bid must be received by the Procurement and Property Manager no later than 10:00am local time September 20, 2011 and must be transmitted via facsimile to (670) 235-7601 or via email to anitac@nmcnet.edu. For bidders located outside the CNMI, an original and 4 copy of sealed bids must be postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service or the official government postal service of a foreign country no later than September 20, 2011. Note that failure to submit the required number of copies may be cause for rejection of bid.

Bids will be publicly opened and read at the NMC Procurement and Property Management Office, As Terlaje Campus on September 20, 2011 at 1:30pm. However, if notices of intent to bid are received from bidders outside the CNMI, bids will be opened at September 28, 2011 at 1:300pm.

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/s/ Anita Camacho
NMC Procurement Manager

/s/ John D. Guerrero
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# Business

# Obama touts jobs bill benefits for small business

**RALEIGH, N.C.** (AP)—President Barack Obama urged enthusiastic college students Wednesday to join him in his fight to get Congress to act on his new jobs bill. "Every single one of you can help make this bill a reality," the president called out at a hot and noisy rally at North Carolina State University.

Someone in the crowd yelled out, "I love you!"

"If you love me you got to help me pass this bill," the president responded.

It was Obama's second campaign-style rally in two days as he pushes for action on his $450 billion jobs plan. His program is running into a buzz saw of opposition from Republicans—and even some in his own Democratic Party—over his plans to raise taxes on the wealthy and corporations to pay for it.

Obama

The president was in Ohio Tuesday, and last week in Virginia, as he travels key electoral states to sell the plan with the economy stuck in neutral heading into his 2012 re-election campaign.

On Wednesday Obama's focus was small businesses, which would be helped by Social Security payroll tax cuts. Before speaking, he toured WestStar Precision, a small business in the Raleigh suburb of Apex. It makes specialized components for the aerospace, medical and alternative energy industries.

He also announced plans to try to speed payments to federal contractors.

Republicans have accused Obama of playing politics by presenting them with tax hike ideas they've already rejected. But Obama said Wednesday, "We've got to make sure everybody pays their fair share, including the wealthiest Americans and the biggest corporations."

"It'd be nice if we could do it all, but we can't. We've got to make choices. That's what governing's about. And we know what's right," the president said.

He told the students: "The time for hand-wringing is over. The time for moping around is over. We've got to kick off our bedroom slippers and put on our marching shoes."

The president's trip to North Carolina, a traditionally Republican state he won in 2008, drew scorn from Republicans.

"This president is in love with the sound of his own voice, he's in love with campaigning, he's in love with fundraising, and he's in love with the stump," said Republican National Committee Chairman Reince Priebus. "And he's doing what he loves to do best, which is to go to battleground states, masquerade as official business, use taxpayer money to do it, and campaign."

As the president barnstormed the country to build support for his plan, which he first unveiled last week in a speech to Congress, he drew support from House Democrats.

About 50 Democratic lawmakers called Wednesday for quick passage of the jobs bill and urged Americans to make their case in calls to lawmakers.

"Fourteen million people do not have 14 months to wait," said Rep. John Larson, D-Conn., who was surrounded by his colleagues on the steps of the Capitol's East Front. He was referring to the number of unemployed Americans and the time until the next election.

Still, there appeared to be little if any chance that the proposal would pass Congress in one piece.

# House probing $528M loan to failed solar company

**WASHINGTON** (AP)—House Republicans questioned Wednesday whether the White House rushed approval of a half-billion-dollar loan guarantee for a now-bankrupt solar panel manufacturer once cited as the kind of renewable energy company worthy of federal stimulus money.

Solyndra Inc. was a major presence in Washington and spent millions of dollars on lobbying there, particularly about the Energy Department's loan guarantee program. And its executives raised thousands of dollars for Obama and Democrats in Congress.

The collapse of the Fremont, Calif.-based company once touted by President Barack Obama ultimately left taxpayers on the hook for $528 million, raising questions if the loan was rushed to accommodate a company event in September 2009 that featured Vice President Joe Biden.

The congressional panel examining the loan disclosed emails that appeared to show senior staff at the Office of Management and Budget chafing about having to conduct "rushed approvals" of federal loan guarantees designed to help jumpstart the nation's renewable energy industry.

"We would prefer to have sufficient time to do our due diligence reviews and have the approval set the date for the announcement rather than the other way around," said one of the emails from an unnamed OMB aide to Biden's office.

Obama cited Solyndra as an example of how the economic stimulus bill would create jobs. But the company has since filed for bankruptcy and shed 1,100 workers, saying it couldn't compete with foreign manufacturers of solar panels.


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**Bid Packages are due no later than 10:00 a.m. September 19, 2011,** at Northern Marianas College, As Terlaje Campus, Procurement Office, Bldg. L, 2nd Floor, Saipan, MP 96950. You may request a copy of the IFB 11-0002 packet via fax (670) 235-7601 or e-mail to Anita Camacho (anitac@nmcnet.edu).

Sealed bids must be marked "NMC IFB 11-0002" for bidders within the CNMI, an original and 4 copies of sealed bids must be submitted to NMC Procurement and Property Management Office, no later than 10:00 a.m local time September 19, 2011. Bidders outside the CNMI may obtain an additional (7) working days for receipt of their bids by submitting a Notice of intent to bid. Notice of intent to bid must be received by the Procurement and Property Manager no later than 10:00am local time September 19, 2011 and must be transmitted via facsimile to (670) 235-7601 or via email to anitac@nmcnet.edu. For bidders located outside the CNMI, an original and 4 copy of sealed bids must be postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service or the official government postal service of a foreign country no later than September 19, 2011. Note that failure to submit the required number of copies may be cause for rejection of bid.

Bids will be publicly opened and read at the NMC Procurement and Property Management Office, As Terlaje Campus on September 19, 2011 at 1:30pm. However, if notices of intent to bid are received from bidders outside the CNMI, bids will be opened at September 27, 2011 at 1:300pm.

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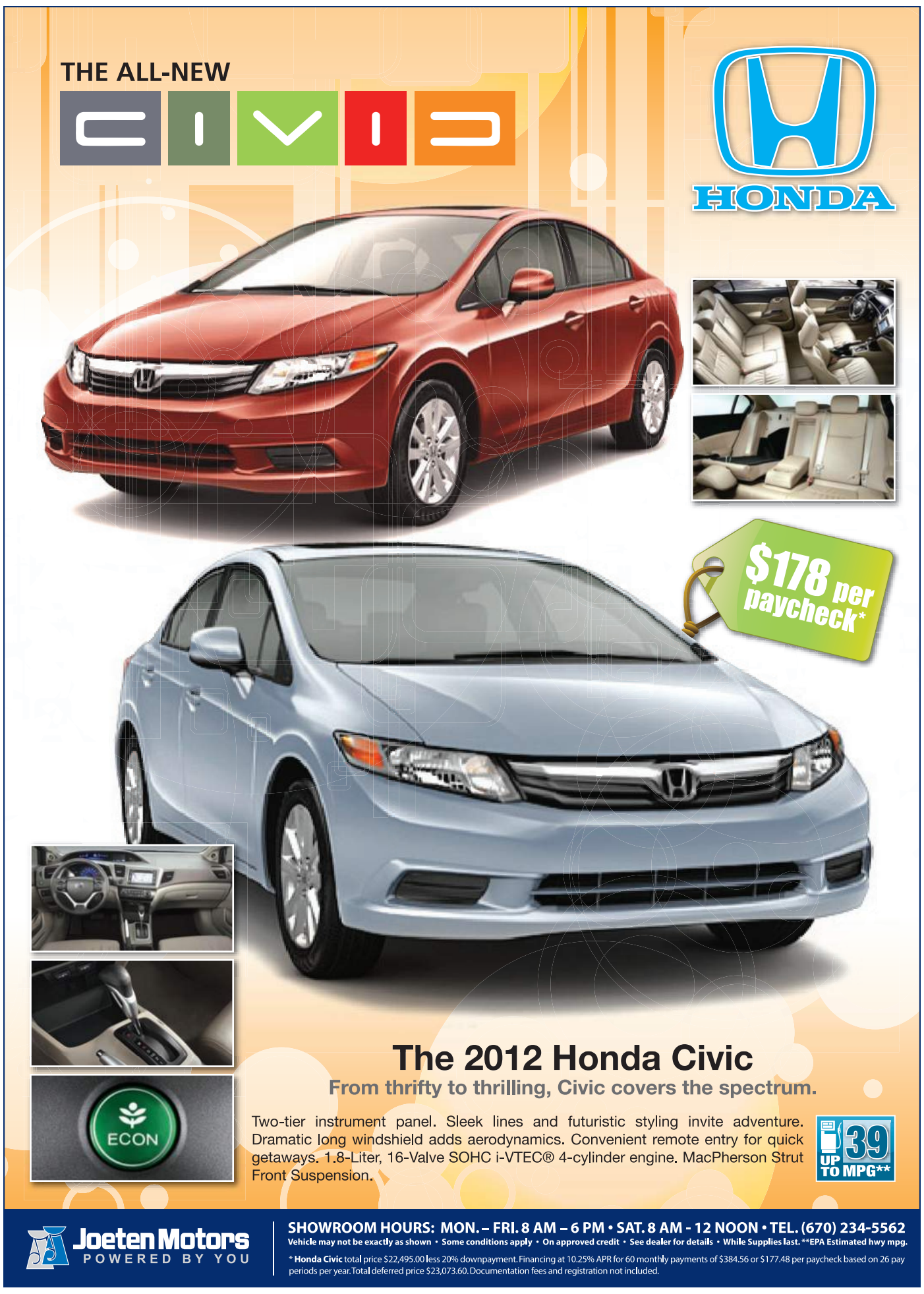
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# Nation

# A referendum on Obama? GOP celebrates its NY win

**WASHINGTON** (AP)—Savoring the unlikeliest of victories, Republicans called their triumph in a New York City congressional race a repudiation of President Barack Obama's policies on the economy and Israel on Wednesday as public and private polls showed his approval ratings plummeting in a district he carried handily in 2008.

"We're not going to sugarcoat it, it was a tough loss," conceded the House Democratic Campaign Committee. Yet party officials and the White House insisted the race was not a referendum on the president as he seeks re-election with the economy stagnant and unemployment stuck at 9.1 percent.

AP

Bob Turner, center, joined by his wife Peggy, right, and family smiles as he delivers his victory speech during an election night party, Wednesday, Sept. 14, 2011 in New York.

In New York, Rep.-elect Bob Turner, outpolled state Assemblyman David Weprin in a light-turnout election. He will replace former Democratic Rep. Anthony Weiner, who resigned in disgrace earlier this year in a sexting scandal. Represented by Democrats since the 1920s, the district includes portions of Brooklyn and Queens, is home to three times as many registered Democrats as Republicans and is nearly 40 percent Jewish.

Those district demographics customarily spell victory for a Democrat, but in a smattering of interviews on the day after the election, former Obama supporters gave voice to their changed feelings.

"Unfortunately the Democrats have let us down lately," said Anne Lenihan, 65, of Queens, who said she supported the president in 2008. "I'm disappointed in the Democrats and we need change."

Mark Russell, 37, a Democrat, said he didn't vote because he could not get excited about supporting Weprin, despite numerous calls from the Democratic get-out-the-vote operation.

"In 2008 I voted for Obama, and I made a big mistake then," said Kelly Redmond, 47, who cited the economy and the president's policy toward Israel as reasons for supporting Turner.

Concerns that surfaced in the race included an administration policy in the Mideast that some Jews find not sufficiently supportive of Israel. Obama's urging of Israel to halt housing settlements in the West Bank has been a point of controversy in the district. Also, Weprin drew criticism for his vote in the New York Assembly in favor of a measure legalizing gay marriage, legislation generally unpopular with Orthodox Jews.

## Bachmann courts AZ's tough anti-immigrant sheriff

**PHOENIX** (AP)—If you're running for president, how do you convince supporters you are tough enough on immigration? Get the endorsement of Maricopa County Sheriff Joe Arpaio, the self-proclaimed toughest sheriff in America whose uncompromising stand on illegal immigration is a point of pride.

On Wednesday Minnesota Rep. Michele Bachmann was the latest Republican presidential candidate hoping for Arpaio's backing. She met in Phoenix with the Republican sheriff, whose endorsement is frequently sought by candidates in all types of races across the country.

Arpaio said he hasn't yet decided which candidate he will back in the GOP primary race.

Bachmann, who was in Arizona for campaign fundraisers, focused almost entirely on immigration during the three minutes she talked to reporters. She then went into a private meeting with Arpaio.

"As president of the United States, I want to solve the border issue," Bachmann said, noting that the nation's immigration problems extend beyond the southern border states. "I want to build the fence that needs to be built and I want to solve this problem."

She said she would also eliminate inducements for illegal immigration into the U.S.

Bachmann wouldn't say whether she supports Arizona's tough immigration enforcement law. A federal judge put the most controversial elements of the law on hold after the Justice Department filed a lawsuit seeking to invalidate it.

## Decision to remove woman from airplane disputed

**DETROIT** (AP)—An airline that reported suspicious behavior by two men aboard a flight from Denver on the 10th anniversary of the 9/11 terror attacks said authorities in Detroit removed them—and a female passenger who is half Middle Eastern and claims she was later strip-searched—without consulting the pilots or crew.

However, airport police and the Transportation Safety Administration said authorities responded after getting an in-flight alert from Frontier that three passengers were engaged in suspicious activity.

The crew on Frontier Airlines flight 623 followed security protocols on Sunday, spokesman Peter Kowalchuk said in an email Wednesday to The Associated Press.

AP

This photo supplied by its subject, Shoshana Hebshi, was taken Tuesday, Sept. 13, 2011.

The crew "responded to concerns expressed by passengers on their aircraft about the suspicious activity of two gentlemen . and only two gentlemen," Kowalchuk said. "After that, what happened was out of the control of the Frontier crew or anyone at Frontier Airlines, for that matter.

"When they arrived and boarded the aircraft, the authorities did not consult any member of the crew . not the pilots, not the flight attendants . before taking action and removing the two men and a third person, Ms. Hebshi."

Shoshana Hebshi told the AP that she was forced off the plane in handcuffs, strip-searched and interrogated.

But a spokesman for the Wayne County Airport Authority, which operates Detroit Metropolitan Airport, said it was notified by the crew that there were three people possibly engaged in suspicious activity.


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**2nd AMENDED NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

**COMMONWEALTH PORTS AUTHORITY (CPA)** is inviting qualified contractors to submit their qualifications and bid proposals for the **DRAINAGE SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT/ UPGRADE, FRANCISCO C. ADA SAIPAN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT,COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS, AIP NO. 3-69-0002-62/65/67, CPA-SA-003-09.**

Sealed Proposals will be received at the office of the Executive Director, Commonwealth Ports Authority, at Francisco C. Ada/Saipan International Airport, at **2:00 PM, SEPTEMBER 23, 2011**, at which time and place the sealed proposals will be publicly opened and read.

The Project, in general, consists of the Drainage System Improvement/Upgrade to include the replacement of the damaged roof waterproofing with existing insulation board and diversion of the roof drain all in accordance with the plans and specifications.

The Project is being financed by funds from U.S. Federal Aviation Administration. The contract award, if it is to be made, will be made within sixty (60) calendar days from the receipt of bids. CPA reserves the right to hold such bids in effect for ninety (90) calendar days from the date of bid opening.

The contract period for construction of the project shall be in 240 calendar days. The contractor shall be assessed with the liquidated damages in the amount of $500/day if the completion of the Project is delayed beyond the contract time without excuse.

The apparent low bidder may be subject to a thorough and comprehensive review of its qualifications and Bid Documents to ensure that they are "responsive and responsible." This review will include, but is not necessarily limited to previous project experience, financial capabilities, quality of equipment and personnel, and bonding and insurance. If the apparent low bidder is found not to be "responsive or responsible", their bid will be rejected and the next lowest bidder will be evaluated for qualifications.

All mechanics and laborers on the project shall be paid no less than the minimum wage rate established by the CNMI or the U.S. Secretary of Labor, whichever is higher. A copy of the Department of the Federal Labor Wage Rate Determination is included in Section GP 70-24 of the specifications.

Each bidder must complete, sign, and furnish the "Bidder's Statement on Previous Contracts Subject to EEO Clause", a "Certification of Nonsegregated Facilities", and the "Assurance of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises Participation", as contained in the bid proposal documents, with the submission of the Bid Proposal.

Bid proposal and contract documents including plans and specifications, may be obtained at the Office of the Executive Director, Commonwealth Ports Authority, Francisco C. Ada/Saipan International Airport, P.O. Box 501055, Saipan, MP 96950, upon the payment of **ONE HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS ($150.00)** for each set of plan documents in electronic form (CD) including the bid schedule. This payment is nonrefundable. Payment shall be made in cash, cashier's check or U.S. postal money order payable to the Commonwealth Ports Authority.

A pre-bid conference will be held at the CONFERENCE ROOM, Francisco C. Ada/Saipan International Airport, ~~**10:00 AM, AUGUST 12, 2011**~~, to explain and clarify any questions regarding this project. A site visit will follow right after the pre-bid conference. Attendance is mandatory to all prospective bidders. Questions should be submitted to the Executive Director, Commonwealth Ports Authority, in writing, at least seven (7) days prior to the pre-bid conference. Contractors are required to attend the pre-bid meeting.

Each proposal shall be on a form furnished by the Commonwealth Ports Authority. The bidders are encouraged to use the CD bid schedule form. The Commonwealth Ports Authority reserves the right to reject any or all bid proposals submitted for: (a) any of the reasons set forth in this Notice to Bidders; or (b) any of the reasons set forth in the CPA Procurement Rules and Regulations regarding bid rejection or cancellation; (c) any calculation error made in the bid schedule or misenter the quantity of line item; or (d) sufficient justification exists that awarding the project contract would not be in the best interest of CPA. CPA further reserves the right to waive any defects in said bids if in its sole opinion to do so would be in CPA's best interest.

The proposed contract is under and subject to Executive Order 11246, as amended by Executive Order 11375 dated October 13, 1977, and Section 60-1.4(b) of the regulations of the Secretary of Labor (41 CFR 60-1) as implemented by Section 152.61 of the Federal Aviation Regulations, and to the Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) and Federal Labor provisions.

All labor on the project shall be paid no less than the minimum wage rates established by CNMI Law or Federal Law, whichever is higher. The Contractor shall take into account minimum wage increases that may be imposed in the CNMI over the life of the Contract.

Each bidder must supply all information required by the bid proposal documents and specifications.

The EEO requirements, labor provisions, and wage rates are included in the specifications, and bid proposal documents are available for inspection at the Commonwealth Ports Authority.

A contractor having 50 or more employees and any subcontractor having 50 or more employees and who may be awarded a contract of Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000.00) or more, will be required to maintain an affirmative action program, the standards for which are contained in the specifications. To be eligible for award, each bidder must comply with the affirmative action requirements.

In accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit proposals in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against, on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award of any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement.

Women will be afforded equal opportunity in all areas of employment. However, the employment of women shall not diminish the standards or requirements for employment of minorities.

Each bid shall be accompanied by either a bid bond by US Treasury listed surety company, a certified check, or a cashier's check in the amount not less than **ten percent (10%)** of the bid price. Checks shall be made payable to the Commonwealth Ports Authority.

The proposed contract is under and subject to the foreign trade restrictions required by 49 CFR Part 30, Denial of Public Works Contracts to Supplier of Goods and Services of Countries that Deny Procurement Market Access to U.S. Contractors.

The Aviation Safety and Capacity Expansion Act of 1990 provides that preference be given to steel and manufactured products produced in the United States when funds are expended pursuant to a grant issued under the Airport Improvement Program.

FOR THE COMMONWEALTH PORTS AUTHORITY:

/s/ JOSE R. LIFOIFOI
Board Chairman/Contracting Officer

Date: September 8, 2011



NORTHERN MARIANAS HOUSING CORPORATION
**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL**
**NMHC RFP 2011-011**

**Financial & Compliance Audit for FY 2011 & 2012**
*(This ad is paid for by NMHC with HUD funds.)*

The Corporate Director of the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation (NMHC), a subsidiary corporation of the Commonwealth Development Authority (CDA) is soliciting sealed proposals to perform a financial and compliance audit of NMHC for the fiscal years ending September 30, 2011 and 2012. This procurement is being conducted pursuant to CNMI Procurement Regulations (NMIAC Chapter 70-30.3, specifically § 70-30.3-210).

One (1) original and three (3) copies of the proposal shall be submitted in a sealed envelope marked/stamped "Confidential" and labeled "NMHC RFP 2011-011," for FY 2011 and 2012 Audit Proposal to the Division of Procurement and Supply, Lower Base, Saipan, MP 96950, no later than 10:00 a.m., September 30, 2011.

The audit guidelines and specifications for this audit may be picked up at the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation (NMHC) Central Office in Garapan, Saipan, MP 96950 during normal working hours from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except CNMI Holidays. Inquiries may be directed to Jocelyn S. Kaipat, Office Manager, at telephone numbers (670) 234-6866/7689, fax 234-9021 or email jskaipat@nmhcgov.net.

/S/ JOSHUA T. SASAMOTO
Corporate Director

/S/ HERMAN S. SABLAN
Director, Procurement & Supply

# Future NASA rocket to be most powerful ever built

**WASHINGTON** (AP)—To soar far away from Earth and even on to Mars, NASA has dreamed up the world's most powerful rocket, a behemoth that borrows from the workhorse liquid-fuel rockets that sent Apollo missions into space four decades ago.

But with a price tag that some estimate at $35 billion, it may not fly with Congress.

NASA Administrator Charles Bolden and several members of Congress on Wednesday unveiled the Obama administration's much-delayed general plans for its rocket design, called the Space Launch System. The multibillion-dollar program would carry astronauts in a capsule on top, and the first mission would be 10 years off if all goes as planned. Unmanned test launches are expected from Cape Canaveral, Fla., in six years.

Calling it the "largest, most powerful rocket built," NASA's exploration and operations chief, William Gerstenmaier, said the rocket will be tough to construct. But when NASA does it, "we'll have a capability to go beyond low-Earth orbit like no other nation does here on Earth," he said in a telephone briefing Wednesday.

The rocket resembles those NASA relied on before the space shuttle, but even its smallest early prototype will have 10 percent more thrust than the Saturn V that propelled Apollo astronauts to the moon. When it is built to its fuller size, it will be 20 percent more powerful, Gerstenmaier said. That bigger version will have the horsepower of 208,000 Corvette engines.

## ACROSS THE NATION

### Calmer winds slow growth of Minnesota wildfire

**ISABELLA, Minn.** (AP)—Calmer winds, cooler temperatures and a few moments of sleet and light snow brought encouragement Wednesday as firefighters continued efforts to contain a blaze that was in a "pause mode"—days after it moved at breakneck speeds, swallowing nearly 160 square miles of forest along the Minnesota-Canada border. The fire in the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness is one of the largest on record in the state, and just under half of the access points into the wilderness were closed to campers by midday Wednesday. Less than 50 buildings—including cabins—had been evacuated. Plumes of smoke from the fire drifted into Michigan, Wisconsin and northern Illinois on Tuesday, but the plume had largely dissipated by Wednesday because of the drop in heat and wind, and it was less visible because of overcast skies, said Mary Shedd, a Forest Service spokeswoman in Isabella.

### Father of Natalee Holloway seeks death declaration

**BIRMINGHAM, Ala.** (AP)—The father of missing Alabama teenager Natalee Holloway is asking a court to declare his daughter dead, six years after she vanished during a graduation trip to Aruba. Mississippi insurance agent Dave Holloway filed the request in probate court earlier this summer, but court officials said Wednesday it could be months before any decision is reached. Holloway wrote in a sworn statement that it was his "painful" belief that his daughter is dead and recounted the years spent investigating her baffling disappearance in 2005. He said there was no evidence to suggest Natalee is either alive or that she had run away from home. "Prior to her trip to Aruba, Natalee had no medical issues, psychological issues or family issues," the statement said.

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**NOTICE OF SALE**
**UNDER POWER OF SALE**
**IN DEED OF TRUST**

**ELISA P. AQUININGOC/JESSE P. AQUININGOC** (collectively "Trustor"), on or about December 4, 1998, gave and delivered to the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation ("Trustee"), acting on behalf of the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development Office ("USDA"), formerly known as Farmers Home Administration, United States of America ("FmHA"), a Deed of Trust upon certain real property hereinafter described, which Deed of Trust was recorded on December 10, 1998 under Document No. 98-4068 to secure payment of a Promissory Note of the Trustor to the Trustee, acting on behalf of the USDA, Rural Development Office.

The Deed of Trust and this Notice of Sale affect the property hereafter described:

**Lot No. 008 T 114**
**Containing an area of 923 square meters, more or less, as shown on the Division of Lands and Surveys Official Cadastral Plat No. 008 T 01 dated January 7, 1988, Commonwealth Recorder's File No. 88-161, dated January 19, 1988, the description therein being incorporated herein by reference**

The Trustor has defaulted on payment of the Note secured by the Deed of Trust, and by reason of said default, Trustee issued its Notice of Default and served to Trustor on March 13, 2009. More than thirty (30) days have passed since the default notice was served on Trustor and said default has not been cured.

Pursuant to 2 CMC § 4622(b)(2), NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Trustee will, on **October 4, 2011**, at 10:00 a.m., at the office of the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, Garapan, P.O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950, under power of sale contained in the Deed of Trust, sell the above described parcel of real property at public auction to the highest qualified bidder, to satisfy the obligations secured by said Deed of Trust. The minimum bid offer shall be not less than **$38,500.00**. Sealed bids will be opened at the auction and those present will be given the opportunity to submit an additional bid, thereby, outbidding the highest sealed bid amount received by NMHC and opened on the date of the auction.

Sealed bids must be addressed to Ms. Merced M. Tomokane, Chairwoman of the Board, Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, P. O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950 and must also be received no later than **October 3, 2011, at 4:00 p.m. All bids received from outside the Commonwealth must be received no later than October 3, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. Untimely sealed bids will be rejected.**

The sale shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The purchase price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within three (3) working days from time of sale.

Trustee reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to cancel or extend the date, time and place for sale of such property. Any prospective buyer must be a person authorized by the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands to hold title to real property in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.
The further right is reserved, in the absence of satisfactory bids for the outright sale of the said parcel of real property to a qualified buyer, to offer such property at the same time and place, or at a later time, for long-term lease to any person on the usual terms and conditions for long term leases of real property offered by the Trustee to the highest bidder for such lease. The minimum bid amount of **$38,500.00** shall also apply with lump sum payment for the term of the lease.

The lease shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The lease price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within 72 hours from time of sale.

Dated this 31st day of August, 2011.

By: /s/ JOSHUA T. SASAMOTO
Corporate Director

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**NOTICE OF SALE**
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**GINA K. SOMORANG/ SOLEDAD K. SOMORANG AND MIGUEL O. SOMORANG** (collectively "Trustor"), on or about May 02, 1984, gave and delivered to the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation ("Trustee"), acting on behalf of the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development Office ("USDA"), formerly known as Farmers Home Administration, United States of America ("FmHA"), a Deed of Trust upon certain real property hereinafter described, which Deed of Trust was recorded on May 03, 1984, under Document No. 84-686 to secure payment of a Promissory Note of the Trustor to the Trustee, acting on behalf of the USDA, Rural Development Office.

The Deed of Trust and this Notice of Sale affect the property hereafter described:

**LOT NO. 005 I 548, CONTAINING AN AREA OF 885 SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS, AS SHOWN ON THE DIVISION OF LANDS AND SURVEYE'S OFFICIAL CADASTRAL PLAT NUMBER 2084/82, THE ORIGINAL OF WHICH WAS REGISTERED WITH THE LAND REGISTRY AS DOCUMENT NUMBER 14232 DATED MAY 14, 1982, THE DESCRIPTION THEREIN BEING INCORPORATED HEREIN BY REFERENCE.**

The Trustor has defaulted on payment of the Note secured by the Deed of Trust, and by reason of said default, Trustee issued its Notice of Default and served to Trustor on November 24, 2008. More than thirty (30) days have passed since the default notice was served on Trustor and said default has not been cured.

Pursuant to 2 CMC § 4622(b)(2), NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Trustee will, on **October 4, 2011**, at 10:00 a.m., at the office of the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, Garapan, P.O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950, under power of sale contained in the Deed of Trust, sell the above described parcel of real property at public auction to the highest qualified bidder, to satisfy the obligations secured by said Deed of Trust. The minimum bid offer shall be not less than **$36,400.00.** Sealed bids will be opened at the auction and those present will be given the opportunity to submit an additional bid, thereby, outbidding the highest sealed bid amount received by NMHC and opened on the date of the auction.

Sealed bids must be addressed to Ms. Merced M. Tomokane, Chairwoman of the Board, Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, P. O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950 and must also be received no later than **October 3, 2011, at 4:00 p.m. All bids received from outside the Commonwealth must be received no later than October 3, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. Untimely sealed bids will be rejected.**

The sale shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The purchase price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within 72 hours from time of sale.

Trustee reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to cancel or extend the date, time and place for sale of such property. Any prospective buyer must be a person authorized by the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands to hold title to real property in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

The further right is reserved, in the absence of satisfactory bids for the outright sale of the said parcel of real property to a qualified buyer, to offer such property at the same time and place, or at a later time, for long-term lease to any person on the usual terms and conditions for long term leases of real property offered by the Trustee to the highest bidder for such lease. The minimum bid amount of **$36,400.00** shall also apply with lump sum payment for the term of the lease.

The lease shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The lease price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within 72 hours from time of sale.

Dated this 31st day of August, 2011.

By: /s/ JOSHUA T. SASAMOTO
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**NOTICE OF SALE**
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**IN DEED OF TRUST**

**JOHN ALAN C. KING AND CARLA MARIE DLC. KING** (collectively "Trustor"), on or about November 08, 2002, gave and delivered to the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation ("Trustee"), acting on behalf of the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development Office ("USDA"), formerly known as Farmers Home Administration, United States of America ("FmHA"), a Deed of Trust upon certain real property hereinafter described, which Deed of Trust was recorded on December 12, 2003, under Document No. 03-2781 to secure payment of a Promissory Note of the Trustor to the Trustee, acting on behalf of the USDA, Rural Development Office.

The Deed of Trust and this Notice of Sale affect the property hereafter described:

**LOT NO. 330 R 321 CONTAINING AS AREA OF 838 SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS AS SHOWN ON THE DIVEISION OF LANDS AND SURVEYS OFFICIAL CADASTRAL PLAT NO. 330 R 08 DATED NOVEMBER 19, 1996, COMMONWEALTH RECORDER'S FILE NO. 97-746, DATED APRIL 02, 1996, THE DESRIPTION THEREIN BEING INCROPORATED HEREIN BY REFERENCE.**

The Trustor has defaulted on payment of the Note secured by the Deed of Trust, and by reason of said default, Trustee issued its Notice of Default and served to Trustor on December 02, 2008. More than thirty (30) days have passed since the default notice was served on Trustor and said default has not been cured.

Pursuant to 2 CMC § 4622(b)(2), NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Trustee will, on **October 4, 2011,** at 10:00 a.m., at the office of the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, Garapan, P.O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950, under power of sale contained in the Deed of Trust, sell the above described parcel of real property at public auction to the highest qualified bidder, to satisfy the obligations secured by said Deed of Trust. The minimum bid offer shall be not less than **$36,000.00.** Sealed bids will be opened at the auction and those present will be given the opportunity to submit an additional bid, thereby, outbidding the highest sealed bid amount received by NMHC and opened on the date of the auction.

Sealed bids must be addressed to Ms. Merced M. Tomokane, Chairwoman of the Board, Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, P. O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950 and must also be received no later than **October 3, 2011, at 4:00 p.m. All bids received from outside the Commonwealth must be received no later than October 3, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. Untimely sealed bids will be rejected.**

The sale shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The purchase price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within 72 hours from time of sale.

Trustee reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to cancel or extend the date, time and place for sale of such property. Any prospective buyer must be a person authorized by the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands to hold title to real property in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

The further right is reserved, in the absence of satisfactory bids for the outright sale of the said parcel of real property to a qualified buyer, to offer such property at the same time and place, or at a later time, for long-term lease to any person on the usual terms and conditions for long term leases of real property offered by the Trustee to the highest bidder for such lease. The minimum bid amount of **$36,000.00** shall also apply with lump sum payment for the term of the lease.

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Dated this 31st day of August, 2011.

By: /s/ JOSHUA T. SASAMOTO
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**NOTICE OF SALE**
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**DONNA Q. KAPILEO and DONOVAN K. TECHUR** (collectively "Trustor"), on or about November 16, 1999, gave and delivered to the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation ("Trustee"), acting on behalf of the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development Office ("USDA"), formerly known as Farmers Home Administration, United States of America ("FmHA"), a Deed of Trust upon certain real property hereinafter described, which Deed of Trust was recorded on November 23, 1999 under Document No. 99-2778 to secure payment of a Promissory Note of the Trustor to the Trustee, acting on behalf of the USDA, Rural Development Office.

The Deed of Trust and this Notice of Sale affect the property hereafter described:

**Lot No. 011 G 1091, as more particularly described on Drawing/Cadastral Plat No. 011 G 20, the original of which was recorded 09 Dec 93 as Document No. 93-4288 at Commonwealth Recorder's, Saipan.**

The Trustor has defaulted on payment of the Note secured by the Deed of Trust, and by reason of said default, Trustee issued its Notice of Default and served to Trustor on March 13, 2009. More than thirty (30) days have passed since the default notice was served on Trustor and said default has not been cured.

Pursuant to 2 CMC § 4622(b)(2), NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Trustee will, on **October 4, 2011**, at 10:00 a.m., at the office of the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, Garapan, P.O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950, under power of sale contained in the Deed of Trust, sell the above described parcel of real property at public auction to the highest qualified bidder, to satisfy the obligations secured by said Deed of Trust. The minimum bid offer shall be not less than **$36,400.00.** Sealed bids will be opened at the auction and those present will be given the opportunity to submit an additional bid, thereby, outbidding the highest sealed bid amount received by NMHC and opened on the date of the auction.

Sealed bids must be addressed to Ms. Merced M. Tomokane, Chairwoman of the Board, Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, P. O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950 and must also be received no later than **October 3, 2011, at 4:00 p.m. All bids received from outside the Commonwealth must be received no later than October 3, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. Untimely sealed bids will be rejected.**

The sale shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The purchase price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within three (3) working days from time of sale.

Trustee reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to cancel or extend the date, time and place for sale of such property. Any prospective buyer must be a person authorized by the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands to hold title to real property in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

The further right is reserved, in the absence of satisfactory bids for the outright sale of the said parcel of real property to a qualified buyer, to offer such property at the same time and place, or at a later time, for long-term lease to any person on the usual terms and conditions for long term leases of real property offered by the Trustee to the highest bidder for such lease. The minimum bid amount of **$36,400.00** shall also apply with lump sum payment for the term of the lease.

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Dated this 31st day of August, 2011.

By: /s/ JOSHUA T. SASAMOTO
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**NOTICE OF SALE**
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**LORETTA K. DELEON GUERRERO** ("Trustor"), on or about June 29, 1998, gave and delivered to the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation ("Trustee"), acting on behalf of the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development Office ("USDA"), formerly known as Farmers Home Administration, United States of America ("FmHA"), a Deed of Trust upon certain real property hereinafter described, which Deed of Trust was recorded on June 30, 1998, under Document No. 98-1942 to secure payment of a Promissory Note of the Trustor to the Trustee, acting on behalf of the USDA, Rural Development Office.

The Deed of Trust and this Notice of Sale affect the property hereafter described:

**LOT NO. 010 K 05, CONTAINING AN AREA OF 892 SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS, AS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED ON DRAWING/CADASTRAL PLAT NUMBER 010 K 01 DATED AUGUST 19, 1987, COMMONWEALTH RECORDER'S FILE NO. 87-2911 DATED AUGUST 19, 1987, THE DESCRIPTION THEREIN BEING INCORPORATED HEREIN BY REFERENCE.**

The Trustor has defaulted on payment of the Note secured by the Deed of Trust, and by reason of said default, Trustee issued its Notice of Default and served to Trustor on November 24, 2008. More than thirty (30) days have passed since the default notice was served on Trustor and said default has not been cured.

Pursuant to 2 CMC § 4622(b)(2), NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Trustee will, on **October 4, 2011**, at 10:00 a.m., at the office of the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, Garapan, P.O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950, under power of sale contained in the Deed of Trust, sell the above described parcel of real property at public auction to the highest qualified bidder, to satisfy the obligations secured by said Deed of Trust. The minimum bid offer shall be not less than **$40,600.00**. Sealed bids will be opened at the auction and those present will be given the opportunity to submit an additional bid, thereby, outbidding the highest sealed bid amount received by NMHC and opened on the date of the auction.

Sealed bids must be addressed to Ms. Merced M. Tomokane, Chairwoman of the Board, Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, P. O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950 and must also be received no later than **October 3, 2011, at 4:00 p.m. All bids received from outside the Commonwealth must be received no later than October 3, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. Untimely sealed bids will be rejected.**

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The further right is reserved, in the absence of satisfactory bids for the outright sale of the said parcel of real property to a qualified buyer, to offer such property at the same time and place, or at a later time, for long-term lease to any person on the usual terms and conditions for long term leases of real property offered by the Trustee to the highest bidder for such lease. The minimum bid amount of **$40,600.00** shall also apply with lump sum payment for the term of the lease.

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Dated this 31st day of August , 2011.

By: /s/ JOSHUA T. SASAMOTO
Corporate Director

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## OFFICE SPACE AVAILABLE

**APPROXIMATELY 14,666 SQ. FT. PRIME OFFICE SPACE**

The Northern Mariana Islands Retirement Fund (NMIRF) is soliciting proposals to lease approximately 14,666 square feet of prime office space on the second and third floors (approximately 7000 sq.ft. per floor) of the Retirement Fund Building on Capitol Hill, Saipan. Ideally located across from the Governor's Office and the Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature, the building has a backup generator, 24-hour water service, and ample parking space for employees and visitors. Space is available for viewing immediately.

Minimum acceptable terms include the following:

- Per square foot per month, Triple Net (higher for less than full available footage);
- Lessee responsible for own utilities, as well as cost to separately meter;
- 24 months minimum lease term; and
- First month, last month and reasonable security deposit required (amount depends on credit history and financial strength of Lessee).

All proposals are subject to acceptance by the NMIRF Board of Trustees in its sole discretion.

/s/ RICHARD S. VILLAGOMEZ
Administrator, NMI Retirement Fund

# Asia

## US: Embassy attack a propaganda win for militants

**KABUL, Afghanistan** (AP)—American officials Wednesday blamed the bold attack on the U.S. Embassy on a Pakistan-based group allied with the Taliban, acknowledging that the assault brought a propaganda victory for the insurgents even as they played down its military significance.

The attack underscored holes in Afghan security: Six fighters with heavy weapons took over an unfinished high-rise that authorities knew was a perfect roost for an attack on the embassy and NATO headquarters about 300 meters (yards) away. They then held out against a 20-hour barrage by hundreds of Afghan and foreign forces.

It appeared likely that either weaponry had been stored in the 12-story building ahead of time or that some insurgents had entered in advance with a supply of guns and ammunition.

By the time the fighting ended at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, the insurgents had killed 16 Afghans—five police officers and 11 civilians, more than half of them children. Six or seven rockets hit inside the embassy compound, but no embassy or NATO staff members were hurt. All 11 attackers—including four suicide bombers who targeted police buildings elsewhere in the city—were killed, authorities said.

## ASIAN BRIEFS

### Indian official: train sped up before deadly crash

**NEW DELHI** (AP)—An investigation into a train crash that killed 10 people in southern India has so far found that one of the trains sped up at a signal where it should have stopped, the railways minister said Wednesday. An additional 52 were injured late Tuesday when the passenger train failed to slow at the signal and slammed into a stationary cargo train about 50 miles (80 kilometers) southwest of Chennai, the capital of Tamil Nadu state, officials said. Rescuers worked overnight to pull the injured from the wreckage, where the impact had derailed five train cars and forced authorities to cancel or delay other train services Wednesday.

### Thai woman confesses to killing baby, dumping body

**BANGKOK** (AP)—Police say a Thai woman has confessed to killing her newborn baby then dumping her body in an airport trash bin before flying to a resort island with her boyfriend. Pol. Lt. Col. Porapat Petpayabaan says 24-year-old Nuansiri Samranjai was in custody in Bangkok after confessing to killing her baby Sunday before flying to Samui Island with her new British boyfriend. Porapat says Nuansiri gave birth just hours before her flight and strangled the infant. He says the father was an ex-boyfriend from Britain and she thought the baby would upset her new boyfriend. Police declined to identify the new boyfriend and said he was not a suspect.


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**NOTICE OF SALE**
**UNDER POWER OF SALE**
**IN DEED OF TRUST**

**DONALD C. CAMACHO and ROSALINDA ULLOA** (collectively "Trustor"), on or about December 20, 2004, gave and delivered to the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation ("Trustee"), acting on behalf of the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development Office ("USDA"), formerly known as Farmers Home Administration, United States of America ("FmHA"), a Deed of Trust upon certain real property hereinafter described, which Deed of Trust was recorded on December 23, 2004 under Document No. 04-3035 to secure payment of a Promissory Note of the Trustor to the Trustee, acting on behalf of the USDA, Rural Development Office.

The Deed of Trust and this Notice of Sale affect the property hereafter described:

**Lot 001 C 57, (part of Lot 001 C 26, which was part of Lot 001 C 15, which was part of Lot 001 C 13, which was part of original Lot 001 C 5, TD 697), as more particularly described on Drawing/Cadastral Plat No. 001 C 11, the original of which was recorded 05 JUN as Document No. 98-1697 at Commonwealth Recorder's Saipan.**

The Trustor has defaulted on payment of the Note secured by the Deed of Trust, and by reason of said default, Trustee issued its Notice of Default and served to Trustor on March 13, 2009. More than thirty (30) days have passed since the default notice was served on Trustor and said default has not been cured.

Pursuant to 2 CMC § 4622(b)(2), NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Trustee will, on **October 4, 2011**, at 10:00 a.m., at the office of the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, Garapan, P.O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950, under power of sale contained in the Deed of Trust, sell the above described parcel of real property at public auction to the highest qualified bidder, to satisfy the obligations secured by said Deed of Trust. The minimum bid offer shall be not less than **$66,500.00.** Sealed bids will be opened at the auction and those present will be given the opportunity to submit an additional bid, thereby, outbidding the highest sealed bid amount received by NMHC and opened on the date of the auction.

Sealed bids must be addressed to Ms. Merced M. Tomokane, Chairwoman of the Board, Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, P. O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950 and must also be received no later than **October 3, 2011, at 4:00 p.m. All bids received from outside the Commonwealth must be received no later than October 3, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. Untimely sealed bids will be rejected.**

The sale shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The purchase price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within three (3) working days from time of sale.

Trustee reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to cancel or extend the date, time and place for sale of such property. Any prospective buyer must be a person authorized by the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands to hold title to real property in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

The further right is reserved, in the absence of satisfactory bids for the outright sale of the said parcel of real property to a qualified buyer, to offer such property at the same time and place, or at a later time, for long-term lease to any person on the usual terms and conditions for long term leases of real property offered by the Trustee to the highest bidder for such lease. The minimum bid amount of **$66,500.00** shall also apply with lump sum payment for the term of the lease.

The lease shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The lease price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within 72 hours from time of sale.

Dated this 31st day of August , 2011.

By: /s/ JOSHUA T. SASAMOTO
Corporate Director



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**NOTICE OF SALE**
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**JUAN F. BARCINAS and BARBARA DLC. EVANGELISTA** (collectively "Trustor"), on or about June 14, 1983, gave and delivered to the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation ("Trustee"), acting on behalf of the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development Office ("USDA"), formerly known as Farmers Home Administration, United States of America ("FmHA"), a Deed of Trust upon certain real property hereinafter described, which Deed of Trust was recorded on June 16, 1983, under Document No. 17490 to secure payment of a Promissory Note of the Trustor to the Trustee, acting on behalf of the USDA, Rural Development Office.

The Deed of Trust and this Notice of Sale affect the property hereafter described:

**LOT 001 T 52, AS SHOWN ON THE DIVISION OF LANDS AND SURVEY'S OFFICIAL CADASTRAL PLAT NUMBER 001 T 00, DATED AUGUST 14, 1969, AND CONTAINING AN AREA OF 1,486 SQUARE METERS.**

The Trustor has defaulted on payment of the Note secured by the Deed of Trust, and by reason of said default, Trustee issued its Notice of Default and served to Trustor on September 12, 2008. More than thirty (30) days have passed since the default notice was served on Trustor and said default has not been cured.

Pursuant to 2 CMC § 4622(b)(2), NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Trustee will, on **October 4, 2011**, at 10:00 a.m., at the office of the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, Garapan, P.O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950, under power of sale contained in the Deed of Trust, sell the above described parcel of real property at public auction to the highest qualified bidder, to satisfy the obligations secured by said Deed of Trust. The minimum bid offer shall be not less than **$92,800.00.** Sealed bids will be opened at the auction and those present will be given the opportunity to submit an additional bid, thereby, outbidding the highest sealed bid amount received by NMHC and opened on the date of the auction.

Sealed bids must be addressed to Ms. Merced M. Tomokane, Chairperson of the Board, Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, P. O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950 and must also be received no later than **October 3, 2011, at 4:00 p.m. All bids received from outside the Commonwealth must be received no later than October 3, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. Untimely sealed bids will be rejected.**

The sale shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The purchase price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within 72 hours from time of sale.

Trustee reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to cancel or extend the date, time and place for sale of such property. Any prospective buyer must be a person authorized by the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands to hold title to real property in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

The further right is reserved, in the absence of satisfactory bids for the outright sale of the said parcel of real property to a qualified buyer, to offer such property at the same time and place, or at a later time, for long-term lease to any person on the usual terms and conditions for long term leases of real property offered by the Trustee to the highest bidder for such lease. The minimum bid amount of **$92,800.00** shall also apply with lump sum payment for the term of the lease.

The lease shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The lease price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within 72 hours from time of sale.

Dated this 31st day of August, 2011.

By: /s/ JOSHUA T. SASAMOTO
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**NOTICE OF SALE**
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**LUCIA M. DELEON GUERRERO** ("Trustor"), on or about May 23, 1985, gave and delivered to the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation ("Trustee"), acting on behalf of the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development Office ("USDA"), formerly known as Farmers Home Administration, United States of America ("FmHA"), a Deed of Trust upon certain real property hereinafter described, which Deed of Trust was recorded on May 23, 1985, under Document No. 85-0991 to secure payment of a Promissory Note of the Trustor to the Trustee, acting on behalf of the USDA, Rural Development Office.

The Deed of Trust and this Notice of Sale affect the property hereafter described:

**TRACT NUMBER 20472-6, CONTAINING AN AREA OF 907 SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS, AS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED ON DRAWING/CADASTRAL PLAT NUMBER 2064/82, THE ORIGINAL OF WHICH WAS REGISTERED WITH THE LAND COMMISSION AS DOCUMENT NUMBER 14154, ON THE 26TH OF MARCH, 1982.**

The Trustor has defaulted on payment of the Note secured by the Deed of Trust, and by reason of said default, Trustee issued its Notice of Default and served to Trustor on November 24, 2008. More than thirty (30) days have passed since the default notice was served on Trustor and said default has not been cured.

Pursuant to 2 CMC § 4622(b)(2), NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Trustee will, on **October 4, 2011**, at 10:00 a.m., at the office of the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, Garapan, P.O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950, under power of sale contained in the Deed of Trust, sell the above described parcel of real property at public auction to the highest qualified bidder, to satisfy the obligations secured by said Deed of Trust. The minimum bid offer shall be not less than **$84,000.00**. Sealed bids will be opened at the auction and those present will be given the opportunity to submit an additional bid, thereby, outbidding the highest sealed bid amount received by NMHC and opened on the date of the auction.

Sealed bids must be addressed to Ms. Merced M. Tomokane, Chairwoman of the Board, Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, P. O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950 and must also be received no later than **October 3, 2011, at 4:00 p.m. All bids received from outside the Commonwealth must be received no later than October 3, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. Untimely sealed bids will be rejected.**

The sale shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The purchase price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within 72 hours from time of sale.

Trustee reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to cancel or extend the date, time and place for sale of such property. Any prospective buyer must be a person authorized by the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands to hold title to real property in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

The further right is reserved, in the absence of satisfactory bids for the outright sale of the said parcel of real property to a qualified buyer, to offer such property at the same time and place, or at a later time, for long-term lease to any person on the usual terms and conditions for long term leases of real property offered by the Trustee to the highest bidder for such lease. The minimum bid amount of **$84,000.00** shall also apply with lump sum payment for the term of the lease.

The lease shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The lease price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within 72 hours from time of sale.

Dated this 31st day of August, 2011.

By: /s/ JOSHUA T. SASAMOTO
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**NOTICE OF SALE**
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**MARIA A. TEREGEYO** ("Trustor"), on or about June 6, 1984, gave and delivered to the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation ("Trustee"), acting on behalf of the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development Office ("USDA"), formerly known as Farmers Home Administration, United States of America ("FmHA"), a Deed of Trust upon certain real property hereinafter described, which Deed of Trust was recorded on June 6, 1984 under Document No. 84-881 to secure payment of a Promissory Note of the Trustor to the Trustee, acting on behalf of the USDA, Rural Development Office.

The Deed of Trust and this Notice of Sale affect the property hereafter described:

**Lot No. 005 I 494, containing an area of 745 square meters, more or less, as shown on the Division of Lands and Surveys Official Cadastral Plat Number 2084/82, the original of which was registered with the Land Registry as Document Number 14232 dated May 14, 1982, the description therein being incorporated herein by reference.**

The Trustor has defaulted on payment of the Note secured by the Deed of Trust, and by reason of said default, Trustee issued its Notice of Default and served to Trustor on March 13, 2009. More than thirty (30) days have passed since the default notice was served on Trustor and said default has not been cured.

Pursuant to 2 CMC § 4622(b)(2), NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Trustee will, on **October 4, 2011**, at 10:00 a.m., at the office of the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, Garapan, P.O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950, under power of sale contained in the Deed of Trust, sell the above described parcel of real property at public auction to the highest qualified bidder, to satisfy the obligations secured by said Deed of Trust. The minimum bid offer shall be not less than **$80,500.00.** Sealed bids will be opened at the auction and those present will be given the opportunity to submit an additional bid, thereby, outbidding the highest sealed bid amount received by NMHC and opened on the date of the auction.

Sealed bids must be addressed to Ms. Merced M. Tomokane, Chairwoman of the Board, Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, P. O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950 and must also be received no later than **October 3, 2009, at 4:00 p.m. All bids received from outside the Commonwealth must be received no later than October 3, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. Untimely sealed bids will be rejected.**

The sale shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The purchase price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within three working days from time of sale.

Trustee reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to cancel or extend the date, time and place for sale of such property. Any prospective buyer must be a person authorized by the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands to hold title to real property in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

The further right is reserved, in the absence of satisfactory bids for the outright sale of the said parcel of real property to a qualified buyer, to offer such property at the same time and place, or at a later time, for long-term lease to any person on the usual terms and conditions for long term leases of real property offered by the Trustee to the highest bidder for such lease. The minimum bid amount of **$80,500.00** shall also apply with lump sum payment for the term of the lease.

The lease shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The lease price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within 72 hours from time of sale.

Dated this 31st day of August, 2011.

By: /s/ JOSHUA T. SASAMOTO
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**VICENTE W. KAIPAT and LEONILA S. KAIPAT** (collectively "Trustor"), on or about April 21, 1994, gave and delivered to the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation formerly known as Marianas Island Housing Authority ("Trustee"), acting on behalf of the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development Office ("USDA"), formerly known as Farmers Home Administration, United States of America ("FmHA"), a Deed of Trust upon certain real property hereinafter described, which Deed of Trust was recorded on May 10, 1994, under Document No. 94-1199 to secure payment of a Promissory Note of the Trustor to the Trustee, acting on behalf of the USDA, Rural Development Office.

The Deed of Trust and this Notice of Sale affect the property hereafter described:

**Lot No. 005 I 330, containing an area of 1,109 square meters, more or less, as shown on the Division of Lands and Survey's Official Cadastral Plat No. 005 I 07, dated September 8, 1982, Commonwealth Recorder's File No. 18433, dated September 30, 1983 the description therein being incorporated herein by reference.**

The Trustor has defaulted on payment of the Note secured by the Deed of Trust, and by reason of said default, Trustee issued its 2nd Notice of Default and served to Trustor on September 5, 2008. More than thirty (30) days have passed since the default notice was served on Trustor and said default has not been cured.

Pursuant to 2 CMC § 4622(b)(2), NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Trustee will, on **October 4, 2011**, at 10:00 a.m., at the office of the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, Garapan, P.O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950, under power of sale contained in the Deed of Trust, sell the above described parcel of real property at public auction to the highest qualified bidder, to satisfy the obligations secured by said Deed of Trust. The minimum bid offer shall be not less than **$32,000.00.** Sealed bids will be opened at the auction and those present will be given the opportunity to submit an additional bid, thereby, outbidding the highest sealed bid amount received by NMHC and opened on the date of the auction.

Sealed bids must be addressed to Ms. Merced M. Tomokane, Chairwoman of the Board, Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, P. O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950 and must also be received no later than **October 3, 2011, at 4:00 p.m. All bids received from outside the Commonwealth must be received no later than October 3, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. Untimely sealed bids will be rejected.**

The sale shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The purchase price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within 72 hours from time of sale.

Trustee reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to cancel or extend the date, time and place for sale of such property. Any prospective buyer must be a person authorized by the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands to hold title to real property in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

The further right is reserved, in the absence of satisfactory bids for the outright sale of the said parcel of real property to a qualified buyer, to offer such property at the same time and place, or at a later time, for long-term lease to any person on the usual terms and conditions for long term leases of real property offered by the Trustee to the highest bidder for such lease. The minimum bid amount of **$32,000.00** shall also apply with lump sum payment for the term of the lease.

The lease shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The lease price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within 72 hours from time of sale.

Dated this 31st day of August , 2011.

By: /s/ JOSHUA T. SASAMOTO
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**VINCENT N. ITAMAN/ ROSA L. TAMAN/ VINCENTE E. TAMAN** (collectively "Trustor"), on or about April 27, 1984, gave and delivered to the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation ("Trustee"), acting on behalf of the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development Office ("USDA"), formerly known as Farmers Home Administration, United States of America ("FmHA"), a Deed of Trust upon certain real property hereinafter described, which Deed of Trust was recorded on April 27, 1984 under Document No. 84-659 to secure payment of a Promissory Note of the Trustor to the Trustee, acting on behalf of the USDA, Rural Development Office.

The Deed of Trust and this Notice of Sale affect the property hereafter described:

**LOT NUMBER 005 I 531, CONTAINING AN AREA OF 745 SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS, AS SHOWN ON THE DIVISION OF LANDS AND SURVEY'S OFFICIAL CADASTRAL PLAT NUMBER 2084/82, THE ORIGINAL OF WHICH WAS REGISTERED WITH THE LAND REGISTRY AS DOCUMENT NUMBER 14232 DATED MAY 14, 1982, THE DESCRIPTION THEREIN BEING INCORPORATED HEREIN BY REFERENCE.**

The Trustor has defaulted on payment of the Note secured by the Deed of Trust, and by reason of said default, Trustee issued its Notice of Default and served to Trustor on December 10, 2008. More than thirty (30) days have passed since the default notice was served on Trustor and said default has not been cured.

Pursuant to 2 CMC § 4622(b)(2), NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Trustee will, on **October 4, 2011**, at 10:00 a.m., at the office of the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, Garapan, P.O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950, under power of sale contained in the Deed of Trust, sell the above described parcel of real property at public auction to the highest qualified bidder, to satisfy the obligations secured by said Deed of Trust. The minimum bid offer shall be not less than **$30,800.00.** Sealed bids will be opened at the auction and those present will be given the opportunity to submit an additional bid, thereby, outbidding the highest sealed bid amount received by NMHC and opened on the date of the auction.

Sealed bids must be addressed to Ms. Merced M. Tomokane, Chairwoman of the Board, Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, P. O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950 and must also be received no later than **October 3, 2011, at 4:00 p.m. All bids received from outside the Commonwealth must be received no later than October 3, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. Untimely sealed bids will be rejected.**

The sale shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The purchase price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within 72 hours from time of sale.

Trustee reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to cancel or extend the date, time and place for sale of such property. Any prospective buyer must be a person authorized by the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands to hold title to real property in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

The further right is reserved, in the absence of satisfactory bids for the outright sale of the said parcel of real property to a qualified buyer, to offer such property at the same time and place, or at a later time, for long-term lease to any person on the usual terms and conditions for long term leases of real property offered by the Trustee to the highest bidder for such lease. The minimum bid amount of **$30,800.00** shall also apply with lump sum payment for the term of the lease.

The lease shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The lease price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within 72 hours from time of sale.

Dated this 31st day of August, 2011.

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# World

## WORLD BRIEFS

### US `hopeful' Iran sets course to free 2 Americans

**TEHRAN, Iran** (AP)—The proposed bail-for-freedom deal for two Americans jailed as spies looked increasingly Wednesday like a repeat of last year's release of their companion: Quarrels between Iran's judiciary and president, and then a private jet dispatched by the sultan of Oman for the captives' first leg home. But even as Washington expressed hope that Shane Bauer and Josh Fattal could be nearing the end of more than two years in custody, the details of when—or even if—they will be freed remained clouded amid the complexities of internal Iranian politics and third-party diplomacy between Washington and Tehran, two longtime foes. The first twist came from Iran's powerful judiciary, which said it was still reviewing the bail provisions—and handing a potentially embarrassing rebuke to President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad after his prediction that the Americans could be released in a matter of days.

### Protesters in Haiti demand ouster of UN troops

**PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti** (AP)—Protesters calling for the withdrawal of U.N. peacekeepers from Haiti clashed with police Wednesday outside the earthquake-damaged Haitian National Palace. The protesters hurled rocks at Haitian police in riot gear as they wanted to see a withdrawal of the U.N. troops who have helped keep order in Haiti since 2004, when political violence engulfed the country. The officers responded by firing volleys of tear gas canisters toward the crowd of several hundred demonstrators. As the crowd dispersed, many protesters fled into the Champs des Mars, the park that became a huge encampment of tents and shanties following the January 2010 earthquake, and camp residents rubbed lime on their nostrils in an effort to keep the stinging gas at bay.

### Cuba hits back at Richardson over failed visit

**HAVANA** (AP)—Cuba accused former New Mexico Gov. Bill Richardson of "blackmail" and slander on Wednesday, categorically denying his claims that he was invited to the island to negotiate the release of a jailed American government subcontractor. In an exclusive interview with the Associated Press, the Foreign Ministry's head of North American affairs, Josefina Vidal, said Cuba closed the door on Richardson's request to even see imprisoned Maryland-native Alan Gross only after the American politician described him as a "hostage," in an interview with AP. "His request to see the prisoner ... became impossible due to his slanderous statements to the press in which he described Gross as a 'hostage' of the Cuban government," Vidal said. Richardson made the comment last Thursday after he said his demand to see Gross was rebuffed.

### 23 sailors kidnapped in tanker attack in W. Africa

**LAGOS, Nigeria** (AP)—Armed pirates raided a tanker off the West African coast and kidnapped 23 sailors Wednesday, taking off with the vessel in waters that are increasingly at risk of piracy, an international monitoring group said. The International Maritime Bureau, which tracks piracy worldwide, said pirates boarded the tanker as it idled about 62 nautical miles from Benin's capital of Cotonou. Pirates struck as the Cyprus-flagged vessel tried to transfer its cargo of crude oil to a Norwegian-registered ship, said Cyrus Mody, a manager at the bureau. The pirates sailed off with the crew to an unknown location, Mody said.


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**MARINA A. BAUTISTA and LORETO L. BAUTISTA** (collectively "Trustor"), on or about November 15, 1999, gave and delivered to the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation ("Trustee"), acting on behalf of the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development Office ("USDA"), formerly known as Farmers Home Administration, United States of America ("FmHA"), a Deed of Trust upon certain real property hereinafter described, which Deed of Trust was recorded on November 15, 1999, under Document No. 99-2777 to secure payment of a Promissory Note of the Trustor to the Trustee, acting on behalf of the USDA, Rural Development Office.

The Deed of Trust and this Notice of Sale affect the property hereafter described:

**LOT NO. 011 G 972, CONTAINING AN AREA OF 781 SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS, AS SHOWN ON THE DIVISION OF LANDS AND SURVEY'S OFFICIAL CADASTRAL PLAT NUMBER 011 G 18, DATED DECEMBER 3, 1993, COMMONWEALTH RECORDER'S FILE NO. 93-4286, DATED DECEMBER 9, 1993, THE DESCRIPTION THEREIN BEING INCORPORATED HEREIN BY REFERENCE.**

The Trustor has defaulted on payment of the Note secured by the Deed of Trust, and by reason of said default, Trustee issued its Notice of Default and served to Trustor on September 12, 2008. More than thirty (30) days have passed since the default notice was served on Trustor and said default has not been cured.

Pursuant to 2 CMC § 4622(b)(2), NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Trustee will, on **October 4, 2011**, at 10:00 a.m., at the office of the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, Garapan, P.O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950, under power of sale contained in the Deed of Trust, sell the above described parcel of real property at public auction to the highest qualified bidder, to satisfy the obligations secured by said Deed of Trust. The minimum bid offer shall be not less than **$49,000.00.** Sealed bids will be opened at the auction and those present will be given the opportunity to submit an additional bid, thereby, outbidding the highest sealed bid amount received by NMHC and opened on the date of the auction.

Sealed bids must be addressed to Ms. Merced M. Tomokane, Chairperson of the Board, Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, P. O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950 and must also be received no later than **October 3, 2011, at 4:00 p.m. All bids received from outside the Commonwealth must be received no later than October 3, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. Untimely sealed bids will be rejected.**

The sale shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The purchase price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within 72 hours from time of sale.

Trustee reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to cancel or extend the date, time and place for sale of such property. Any prospective buyer must be a person authorized by the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands to hold title to real property in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

The further right is reserved, in the absence of satisfactory bids for the outright sale of the said parcel of real property to a qualified buyer, to offer such property at the same time and place, or at a later time, for long-term lease to any person on the usual terms and conditions for long term leases of real property offered by the Trustee to the highest bidder for such lease. The minimum bid amount of **$49,000.00** shall also apply with lump sum payment for the term of the lease.

The lease shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The lease price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within 72 hours from time of sale.

Dated this 31st day of August, 2011.

By: /s/ JOSHUA T. SASAMOTO
Corporate Director

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**NOTICE OF SALE**
**UNDER POWER OF SALE**
**IN DEED OF TRUST**

**GUADALUPE O. BORJA** ("Trustor"), on or about October 16, 1984, gave and delivered to the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation ("Trustee"), acting on behalf of the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development Office ("USDA"), formerly known as Farmers Home Administration, United States of America ("FmHA"), a Deed of Trust upon certain real property hereinafter described, which Deed of Trust was recorded on October 16, 1984 under Document No. 84-2185 to secure payment of a Promissory Note of the Trustor to the Trustee, acting on behalf of the USDA, Rural Development Office.

The Deed of Trust and this Notice of Sale affect the property hereafter described:

**Lot No. 017 D 35, containing an area of 900 square meters, more or less, as more particularly described on Drawing/Cadastral Plat Number 017 D 00, the original of which was registered with the Land Registry as document number 4842, on the 11th day of September, 1975.**

The Trustor has defaulted on payment of the Note secured by the Deed of Trust, and by reason of said default, Trustee issued its Notice of Default and served to Trustor on March 13, 2009. More than thirty (30) days have passed since the default notice was served on Trustor and said default has not been cured.

Pursuant to 2 CMC § 4622(b)(2), NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Trustee will, on **October 4, 2011**, at 10:00 a.m., at the office of the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, Garapan, P.O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950, under power of sale contained in the Deed of Trust, sell the above described parcel of real property at public auction to the highest qualified bidder, to satisfy the obligations secured by said Deed of Trust. The minimum bid offer shall be not less than **$67,900.00**. Sealed bids will be opened at the auction and those present will be given the opportunity to submit an additional bid, thereby, outbidding the highest sealed bid amount received by NMHC and opened on the date of the auction.

Sealed bids must be addressed to Ms. Merced M. Tomokane, Chairwoman of the Board, Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, P. O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950 and must also be received no later than **October 3, 2011, at 4:00 p.m. All bids received from outside the Commonwealth must be received no later than October 3, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. Untimely sealed bids will be rejected.**

The sale shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The purchase price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within three (3) working days from time of sale.

Trustee reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to cancel or extend the date, time and place for sale of such property. Any prospective buyer must be a person authorized by the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands to hold title to real property in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

The further right is reserved, in the absence of satisfactory bids for the outright sale of the said parcel of real property to a qualified buyer, to offer such property at the same time and place, or at a later time, for long-term lease to any person on the usual terms and conditions for long term leases of real property offered by the Trustee to the highest bidder for such lease. The minimum bid amount of **$67,900.00** shall also apply with lump sum payment for the term of the lease.

The lease shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The lease price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within 72 hours from time of sale.

Dated this 31st day of August, 2011.

By: /s/ JOSHUA T. SASAMOTO
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**NOTICE OF SALE**
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**IN DEED OF TRUST**

**JOSEPH B. SONGSONG and MARIA M. SONSONG** (collectively "Trustor"), on or about April 2, 1982, gave and delivered to the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation formerly known as Marianas Island Housing Authority ("Trustee"), acting on behalf of the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development Office ("USDA"), formerly known as Farmers Home Administration, United States of America ("FmHA"), a Deed of Trust upon certain real property hereinafter described, which Deed of Trust was recorded on April 2, 1982, under Document No. 14220 to secure payment of a Promissory Note of the Trustor to the Trustee, acting on behalf of the USDA, Rural Development Office.

The Deed of Trust and this Notice of Sale affect the property hereafter described:

**TRACT NUMBER 21899-2, AND CONTAINING AN AREA OF 767 SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS, AS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED ON DRAWING/CADASTRAL PLAT NUMBER 2086/81, THE ORIGINAL OF WHICH WAS REGISTERED WITH THE LAND REGISTRY AS DOCUMENT NUMBER 12450, ON THE 9TH DAY OF JULY, 1981.**

The Trustor has defaulted on payment of the Note secured by the Deed of Trust, and by reason of said default, Trustee issued its Notice of Default and served to Trustor on July 01, 2005. Thirty (30) days have passed since the default notice was served on Trustor and said default has not been cured.

Pursuant to 2 CMC § 4622(b)(2), NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Trustee will, on **October 4, 2011**, at 10:00 a.m., at the office of the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, Garapan, P.O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950, under power of sale contained in the Deed of Trust, sell the above described parcel of real property at public auction to the highest qualified bidder, to satisfy the obligations secured by said Deed of Trust. The minimum bid offer shall be not less than **$30,800.00** the total amount due under the USDA, Rural Development loan including Trustee's expenses. Sealed bids will be opened at the auction and those present will be given the opportunity to submit an additional bid, thereby, outbidding the highest sealed bid amount received by NMHC and opened on the date of the auction.

Sealed bids must be addressed to Ms. Merced M. Tomokane, Chairwoman of the Board, Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, P. O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950 and must also be received no later than **October 3, 2011, at 4:00 p.m. All bids received from outside the Commonwealth must be received no later than October 3, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. Untimely sealed bids will be rejected.**

The sale shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The purchase price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within 72 hours from time of sale.

Trustee reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to cancel or extend the date, time and place for sale of such property. Any prospective buyer must be a person authorized by the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands to hold title to real property in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

The further right is reserved, in the absence of satisfactory bids for the outright sale of the said parcel of real property to a qualified buyer, to offer such property at the same time and place, or at a later time, for long-term lease to any person on the usual terms and conditions for long term leases of real property offered by the Trustee to the highest bidder for such lease. The minimum bid amount of **$38,800.00** shall also apply with lump sum payment for the term of the lease.

The lease shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The lease price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within 72 hours from time of sale.

Dated this 31st day of August, 2011.

By: /s/ JOSHUA T. SASAMOTO
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**NOTICE OF SALE**
**UNDER POWER OF SALE**
**IN DEED OF TRUST**

**BLAS T. MAGOFNA** ("Trustor"), on or about January 12, 1995, gave and delivered to the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation ("Trustee"), acting on behalf of the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development Office ("USDA"), formerly known as Farmers Home Administration, United States of America ("FmHA"), a Deed of Trust upon certain real property hereinafter described, which Deed of Trust was recorded on January 20, 1995, under Document No. 95-143 to secure payment of a Promissory Note of the Trustor to the Trustee, acting on behalf of the USDA, Rural Development Office.

The Deed of Trust and this Notice of Sale affect the property hereafter described:

**LOT NO. 002 B 12, CONTAINING AN AREA OF 737 SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS, AS SHOWN ON THE DIVISION OF LANDS AND SURVEY'S OFFICIAL CADASTRAL PLAT NUMBER 5014/94, DATED FEBRUARY 7, 1994, COMMONWEALTH RECORDER'S FILE NO. 94-396, DATED FEBRUARY 10, 1994, THE DESCRIPTION THEREIN BEING INCORPORATED HEREIN BY REFERENCE.**

The Trustor has defaulted on payment of the Note secured by the Deed of Trust, and by reason of said default, Trustee issued its Notice of Default and served to Trustor on September 12, 2008. More than thirty (30) days have passed since the default notice was served on Trustor and said default has not been cured.

Pursuant to 2 CMC § 4622(b)(2), NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Trustee will, on **October 4, 2011**, at 10:00 a.m., at the office of the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, Garapan, P.O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950, under power of sale contained in the Deed of Trust, sell the above described parcel of real property at public auction to the highest qualified bidder, to satisfy the obligations secured by said Deed of Trust. The minimum bid offer shall be not less than **$54,400.00**. Sealed bids will be opened at the auction and those present will be given the opportunity to submit an additional bid, thereby, outbidding the highest sealed bid amount received by NMHC and opened on the date of the auction.

Sealed bids must be addressed to Ms. Merced M. Tomokane, Acting Chairperson of the Board, Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, P. O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950 and must also be received no later than **October 3, 2011, at 4:00 p.m. All bids received from outside the Commonwealth must be received no later than October 3, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. Untimely sealed bids will be rejected.**

The sale shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The purchase price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within 72 hours from time of sale.

Trustee reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to cancel or extend the date, time and place for sale of such property. Any prospective buyer must be a person authorized by the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands to hold title to real property in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

The further right is reserved, in the absence of satisfactory bids for the outright sale of the said parcel of real property to a qualified buyer, to offer such property at the same time and place, or at a later time, for long-term lease to any person on the usual terms and conditions for long term leases of real property offered by the Trustee to the highest bidder for such lease. The minimum bid amount of **$54,400.00** shall also apply with lump sum payment for the term of the lease.

The lease shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The lease price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within 72 hours from time of sale.

Dated this 31st day of August, 2011.

By: /s/ JOSHUA T. SASAMOTO
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**NOTICE OF SALE**
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**IN DEED OF TRUST**

**ESTHER A. CASTRO and WAYNE T. ALDAN** (collectively "Trustor"), on or about September 20, 2001, gave and delivered to the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation ("Trustee"), acting on behalf of the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development Office ("USDA"), formerly known as Farmers Home Administration, United States of America ("FmHA"), a Deed of Trust upon certain real property hereinafter described, which Deed of Trust was recorded on October 2, 2001 under Document No. 01-2164 to secure payment of a Promissory Note of the Trustor to the Trustee, acting on behalf of the USDA, Rural Development Office.

The Deed of Trust and this Notice of Sale affect the property hereafter described:

**Lot No. 330 R 21 containing an area of 838 square meters, more or less, as shown on the Division of Lands and Surveys Official Cadastral Plat No. 330 R 02, dated March 13, 1992, Commonwealth Recorder's File No. 92-858, dated March 16, 1992, the description therein being incorporated herein by reference.**

The Trustor has defaulted on payment of the Note secured by the Deed of Trust, and by reason of said default, Trustee issued its Notice of Default and served to Trustor on March 13, 2009. More than thirty (30) days have passed since the default notice was served on Trustor and said default has not been cured.

Pursuant to 2 CMC § 4622(b)(2), NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Trustee will, on **October 4, 2011**, at 10:00 a.m., at the office of the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, Garapan, P.O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950, under power of sale contained in the Deed of Trust, sell the above described parcel of real property at public auction to the highest qualified bidder, to satisfy the obligations secured by said Deed of Trust. The minimum bid offer shall be not less than **$34,400.00**. Sealed bids will be opened at the auction and those present will be given the opportunity to submit an additional bid, thereby, outbidding the highest sealed bid amount received by NMHC and opened on the date of the auction.

Sealed bids must be addressed to Ms. Merced M. Tomokane, Chairwoman of the Board, Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, P. O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950 and must also be received no later than **October 3, 2011, at 4:00 p.m. All bids received from outside the Commonwealth must be received no later than October 3, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. Untimely sealed bids will be rejected.**

The sale shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The purchase price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within three (3) working days from time of sale.

Trustee reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to cancel or extend the date, time and place for sale of such property. Any prospective buyer must be a person authorized by the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands to hold title to real property in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

The further right is reserved, in the absence of satisfactory bids for the outright sale of the said parcel of real property to a qualified buyer, to offer such property at the same time and place, or at a later time, for long-term lease to any person on the usual terms and conditions for long term leases of real property offered by the Trustee to the highest bidder for such lease. The minimum bid amount of **$34,400.00** shall also apply with lump sum payment for the term of the lease.

The lease shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The lease price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within 72 hours from time of sale.

Dated this 31st day of August, 2011.

By: /s/ JOSHUA T. SASAMOTO
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**NOTICE OF SALE**
**UNDER POWER OF SALE**
**IN DEED OF TRUST**

**RICARDO P. CASTRO and LORENZA P. CASTRO** (collectively "Trustor"), on or about October 8, 1998, gave and delivered to the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation ("Trustee"), acting on behalf of the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development Office ("USDA"), formerly known as Farmers Home Administration, United States of America ("FmHA"), a Deed of Trust upon certain real property hereinafter described, which Deed of Trust was recorded on October 16, 1998 under Document No. 98-3276 to secure payment of a Promissory Note of the Trustor to the Trustee, acting on behalf of the USDA, Rural Development Office.

The Deed of Trust and this Notice of Sale affect the property hereafter described:

**Lot No. 011 G 685**
**Containing an area of 845 square meters, more or less, as shown on the Division of Lands and Surveys Official Cadastral Plate No. 011 G 14 dated December 1, 1993 , Commonwealth Recorder's File No. 93-4182, dated December 3, 1993, the description therein being incorporated herein by reference.**

The Trustor has defaulted on payment of the Note secured by the Deed of Trust, and by reason of said default, Trustee issued its Notice of Default and served to Trustor on March 13, 2009. More than thirty (30) days have passed since the default notice was served on Trustor and said default has not been cured.

Pursuant to 2 CMC § 4622(b)(2), NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Trustee will, on **October 4, 2011,** at 10:00 a.m., at the office of the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, Garapan, P.O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950, under power of sale contained in the Deed of Trust, sell the above described parcel of real property at public auction to the highest qualified bidder, to satisfy the obligations secured by said Deed of Trust. The minimum bid offer shall be not less than **$38,500.00.** Sealed bids will be opened at the auction and those present will be given the opportunity to submit an additional bid, thereby, outbidding the highest sealed bid amount received by NMHC and opened on the date of the auction.

Sealed bids must be addressed to Ms. Merced M. Tomokane, Chairwoman of the Board, Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, P. O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950 and must also be received no later than **October 3, 2011, at 4:00 p.m. All bids received from outside the Commonwealth must be received no later than October 3, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. Untimely sealed bids will be rejected.**

The sale shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The purchase price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within three (3) working days from time of sale.

Trustee reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to cancel or extend the date, time and place for sale of such property. Any prospective buyer must be a person authorized by the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands to hold title to real property in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

The further right is reserved, in the absence of satisfactory bids for the outright sale of the said parcel of real property to a qualified buyer, to offer such property at the same time and place, or at a later time, for long-term lease to any person on the usual terms and conditions for long term leases of real property offered by the Trustee to the highest bidder for such lease. The minimum bid amount of **$38,500.00** shall also apply with lump sum payment for the term of the lease.

The lease shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The lease price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within 72 hours from time of sale.

Dated this 31st day of August, 2011.

By: /s/ JOSHUA T. SASAMOTO
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# Off the Wall

## OFFBEAT BRIEFS

### Ohio woman hauls trash to mayor's office

**PORTSMOUTH, Ohio** (AP)—An Ohio woman frustrated by the mix-up of the trash pick-up schedule after the Labor Day holiday decided to haul her own garbage—right into her mayor's office. Janice Shanks carried two bags of refuse into Portsmouth Mayor David Malone's office on Friday morning. Shanks says she had more garbage than normal because of a holiday family get-together, and the lack of collection put her in "a real pickle." Malone accepted the trash and says he will take it to the city's waste disposal department. Malone says certain routes were skipped so the city could avoid paying overtime for the holiday work. He says there was confusion over how notice was sent out to residents.

### Man accused of biting off man's eyebrow in fight

**BUENA PARK, Calif.** (AP)—Authorities in Southern California say a man bit off another man's eyebrow during a fight at a house party, chewed it up and spat it out. The Los Angeles Times reports that 29-year-old Luis Miguel Aguilar was arrested Monday after he got into a fight with a 41-year-old man at a party Friday night. Buena Park Police Cpl. Andy Luong says the man lost "a pretty good chunk" of skin and hair on his face, an area about the size of an egg. The man will require reconstructive surgery. His identity has not been released.

### No more cigarettes for smoking Malaysian orangutan

**KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia** (AP)—A captive orangutan often spotted smoking cigarettes given to her by zoo visitors is being forced to kick the habit, a Malaysian wildlife official said Monday. Government authorities seized the adult ape named Shirley from a state-run zoo in Malaysia's southern Johor state last week after she and several other animals there were deemed to be living in poor conditions. Shirley is now being quarantined at another zoo in a neighboring state and is expected to be sent to a Malaysian wildlife center on Borneo island within weeks. Melaka Zoo Director Ahmad Azhar Mohammed said Shirley is not being provided with any more cigarettes because "smoking is not normal behavior for orangutans."

### SC school district moves bus stop from strip club

MYRTLE BEACH, S.C. (AP)—Officials in eastern South Carolina are moving a school bus stop that was by a strip club after parents complained. WPDE-TV reports children had to wait in the parking lot of a strip club in Atlantic Beach to catch the school bus. Misty Umphries, a mother who waits at the stop with her children, says she had to explain to her 4-year-old the meaning of "topless." Horry County transportation director Jim Wright previously said the stop was the central point of four blocks it needed to accommodate.

### Man charged with breaking into Conn. pound for dog

**WEST HARTFORD, Conn.** (AP)—A Connecticut man faces several felony charges after being arrested inside a dog pound where his Italian greyhound had spent the weekend. The Hartford Courant reports that Walther Scovish had the dog, Missy, taken from him on Sept. 3 after Scovish was pulled over and charged with possession of heroin. Police told him he could get Missy back when the West Hartford pound opened for business on Tuesday. Police say they found Scovish inside the pound just before 6am on Monday after an alarm went off. Police say Scovish told them his dog had special needs. Scovish was charged with burglary, criminal trespass, larceny, and attempted larceny. Missy remains at the pound.


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**CARMENT T. ANDON and SAMUEL M. ANDON** (collectively "Trustor"), on or about October 22, 2004, gave and delivered to the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation ("Trustee"), acting on behalf of the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development Office ("USDA"), formerly known as Farmers Home Administration, United States of America ("FmHA"), a Deed of Trust upon certain real property hereinafter described, which Deed of Trust was recorded on November 2, 2004, under Document No. 04-2544 to secure payment of a Promissory Note of the Trustor to the Trustee, acting on behalf of the USDA, Rural Development Office.

The Deed of Trust and this Notice of Sale affect the property hereafter described:

**LOT NO. 011 G 308, CONTAINING AN AREA OF 797 SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS, AS SHOWN ON THE DIVISION OF LANDS AND SURVEY'S OFFICIAL CADASTRAL PLAT NUMBER 011 G 06, DATED DECEMBER 9, 1993, COMMONWEALTH RECORDER'S FILE NO. 93-4414, DATED DECEMBER 16, 1993, THE DESCRIPTION THEREIN BEING INCORPORATED HEREIN BY REFERENCE.**

The Trustor has defaulted on payment of the Note secured by the Deed of Trust, and by reason of said default, Trustee issued its 2nd Notice of Default and served to Trustor on September 12, 2008. More than thirty (30) days have passed since the default notice was served on Trustor and said default has not been cured.

Pursuant to 2 CMC § 4622(b)(2), NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Trustee will, on **October 4, 2011**, at 10:00 a.m., at the office of the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, Garapan, P.O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950, under power of sale contained in the Deed of Trust, sell the above described parcel of real property at public auction to the highest qualified bidder, to satisfy the obligations secured by said Deed of Trust. The minimum bid offer shall be not less than **$42,000.00**. Sealed bids will be opened at the auction and those present will be given the opportunity to submit an additional bid, thereby, outbidding the highest sealed bid amount received by NMHC and opened on the date of the auction.

Sealed bids must be addressed to Ms. Merced M. Tomokane, Chairperson of the Board, Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, P. O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950 and must also be received no later than **October 3, 2011, at 4:00 p.m. All bids received from outside the Commonwealth must be received no later than October 3, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. Untimely sealed bids will be rejected.**

The sale shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The purchase price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within 72 hours from time of sale.

Trustee reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to cancel or extend the date, time and place for sale of such property. Any prospective buyer must be a person authorized by the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands to hold title to real property in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

The further right is reserved, in the absence of satisfactory bids for the outright sale of the said parcel of real property to a qualified buyer, to offer such property at the same time and place, or at a later time, for long-term lease to any person on the usual terms and conditions for long term leases of real property offered by the Trustee to the highest bidder for such lease. The minimum bid amount of **$42,000.00** shall also apply with lump sum payment for the term of the lease.

The lease shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The lease price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within 72 hours from time of sale.

Dated this 31st day of August, 2011.

By: /s/ JOSHUA T. SASAMOTO
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**ELOY T. DELA CRUZ and SHIRLEY ANN R. DELA CRUZ** (collectively "Trustor"), on or about October 23, 2002, gave and delivered to the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation ("Trustee"), acting on behalf of the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development Office ("USDA"), formerly known as Farmers Home Administration, United States of America ("FmHA"), a Deed of Trust upon certain real property hereinafter described, which Deed of Trust was recorded on October 29, 2002, under Document No. 02-2209 to secure payment of a Promissory Note of the Trustor to the Trustee, acting on behalf of the USDA, Rural Development Office.

The Deed of Trust and this Notice of Sale affect the property hereafter described:

**Lot No. 002 G 263, containing an area of 929 square meters, more or less, as shown on the Division of Lands and Surveys Official Cadastral Plat No. 002 G 07 dated May 31, 1989, Commonwealth Recorder's File No. 90-1904, dated May 14, 1990, the description therein being incorporated herein by reference.**

The Trustor has defaulted on payment of the Note secured by the Deed of Trust, and by reason of said default, Trustee issued its 2nd Notice of Default and served to Trustor on September 5, 2008. More than thirty (30) days have passed since the default notice was served on Trustor and said default has not been cured.

Pursuant to 2 CMC § 4622(b)(2), NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Trustee will, on **October 4, 2011**, at 10:00 a.m., at the office of the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, Garapan, P.O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950, under power of sale contained in the Deed of Trust, sell the above described parcel of real property at public auction to the highest qualified bidder, to satisfy the obligations secured by said Deed of Trust. The minimum bid offer shall be not less than **$56,000.00**. Sealed bids will be opened at the auction and those present will be given the opportunity to submit an additional bid, thereby, outbidding the highest sealed bid amount received by NMHC and opened on the date of the auction.

Sealed bids must be addressed to Ms. Merced M. Tomokane, Chairwoman of the Board, Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, P. O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950 and must also be received no later than **October 3, 2011, at 4:00 p.m. All bids received from outside the Commonwealth must be received no later than October 3, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. Untimely sealed bids will be rejected.**

The sale shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The purchase price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within 72 hours from time of sale.

Trustee reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to cancel or extend the date, time and place for sale of such property. Any prospective buyer must be a person authorized by the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands to hold title to real property in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

The further right is reserved, in the absence of satisfactory bids for the outright sale of the said parcel of real property to a qualified buyer, to offer such property at the same time and place, or at a later time, for long-term lease to any person on the usual terms and conditions for long term leases of real property offered by the Trustee to the highest bidder for such lease. The minimum bid amount of **$56,000.00** shall also apply with lump sum payment for the term of the lease.

The lease shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The lease price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within 72 hours from time of sale.

Dated this 31st day of August, 2011.

By: /s/ JOSHUA T. SASAMOTO
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**NOTICE OF SALE**
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**IN DEED OF TRUST**

**HERMAN M. GUERRERO aka Herman M. Deleon Guerrero and Asunta T. Guerrero aka Asunta T. Deleon Guerrero** (collectively "Trustor"), on or about July 18, 1983, gave and delivered to the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation ("Trustee"), acting on behalf of the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development Office ("USDA"), formerly known as Farmers Home Administration, United States of America ("FmHA"), a Deed of Trust upon certain real property hereinafter described, which Deed of Trust was recorded on July 18, 1983, under Document No. 17740 to secure payment of a Promissory Note of the Trustor to the Trustee, acting on behalf of the USDA, Rural Development Office.

The Deed of Trust and this Notice of Sale affect the property hereafter described:

**Tract number 20472-9, and containing an area of 926 square meters, more or less, as more particularly described on drawing/cadastral plat number 2064/82, the original of which was registered with the Land Registry as document number 14154, on the 26th day of March, 1982.**

The Trustor has defaulted on payment of the Note secured by the Deed of Trust, and by reason of said default, Trustee issued its Notice of Default and served to Trustor on September 5, 2008. More than thirty (30) days have passed since the default notice was served on Trustor and said default has not been cured.

Pursuant to 2 CMC § 4622(b)(2), NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Trustee will, on **October 4, 2011**, at 10:00 a.m., at the office of the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, Garapan, P.O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950, under power of sale contained in the Deed of Trust, sell the above described parcel of real property at public auction to the highest qualified bidder, to satisfy the obligations secured by said Deed of Trust. The minimum bid offer shall be not less than **$63,000.00**. Sealed bids will be opened at the auction and those present will be given the opportunity to submit an additional bid, thereby, outbidding the highest sealed bid amount received by NMHC and opened on the date of the auction.

Sealed bids must be addressed to Merced M. Tomokane, Chairman of the Board, Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, P. O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950 and must also be received no later than **October 3, 2011, at 4:00 p.m. All bids received from outside the Commonwealth must be received no later than October 3, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. Untimely sealed bids will be rejected.**

The sale shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The purchase price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within 72 hours from time of sale.

Trustee reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to cancel or extend the date, time and place for sale of such property. Any prospective buyer must be a person authorized by the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands to hold title to real property in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

The further right is reserved, in the absence of satisfactory bids for the outright sale of the said parcel of real property to a qualified buyer, to offer such property at the same time and place, or at a later time, for long-term lease to any person on the usual terms and conditions for long term leases of real property offered by the Trustee to the highest bidder for such lease. The minimum bid amount of **$63,000.00** shall also apply with lump sum payment for the term of the lease.

The lease shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The lease price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within 72 hours from time of sale.

Dated this 31st day of August, 2011.

By: /s/ JOSHUA T. SASAMOTO
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**NOTICE OF SALE**
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**IGNACIO A. CABRERA AND ANA B. CABRERA** (collectively "Trustor"), on or about October 20, 1983, gave and delivered to the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation ("Trustee"), acting on behalf of the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development Office ("USDA"), formerly known as Farmers Home Administration, United States of America ("FmHA"), a Deed of Trust upon certain real property hereinafter described, which Deed of Trust was recorded on October 21, 1983 under Document No. 83-90 to secure payment of a Promissory Note of the Trustor to the Trustee, acting on behalf of the USDA, Rural Development Office.

The Deed of Trust and this Notice of Sale affect the property hereafter described:

**LOT NO. 006 T 18, AND CONTAINING AN AREA OF 901 SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS, AS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED ON DRAWING/CADASTRAL PLAT NUMBER 006 T 01, THE ORIGINAL OF WHICH WAS REGISTERED WITH THE LAND REGISTRY AS DOCUMENT NUMBER 18011, ON THE 7TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1983**

The Trustor has defaulted on payment of the Note secured by the Deed of Trust, and by reason of said default, Trustee issued its Notice of Default and served to Trustor on December 10, 2008. More than thirty (30) days have passed since the default notice was served on Trustor and said default has not been cured.

Pursuant to 2 CMC § 4622(b)(2), NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Trustee will, on **October 4, 2011**, at 10:00 a.m., at the office of the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, Garapan, P.O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950, under power of sale contained in the Deed of Trust, sell the above described parcel of real property at public auction to the highest qualified bidder, to satisfy the obligations secured by said Deed of Trust. The minimum bid offer shall be not less than **$54,600.00**. Sealed bids will be opened at the auction and those present will be given the opportunity to submit an additional bid, thereby, outbidding the highest sealed bid amount received by NMHC and opened on the date of the auction.

Sealed bids must be addressed to Ms. Merced M. Tomokane, Chairwoman of the Board, Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, P. O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950 and must also be received no later than **October 3, 2011, at 4:00 p.m. All bids received from outside the Commonwealth must be received no later than October 3, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. Untimely sealed bids will be rejected.**

The sale shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The purchase price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within 72 hours from time of sale.

Trustee reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to cancel or extend the date, time and place for sale of such property. Any prospective buyer must be a person authorized by the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands to hold title to real property in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

The further right is reserved, in the absence of satisfactory bids for the outright sale of the said parcel of real property to a qualified buyer, to offer such property at the same time and place, or at a later time, for long-term lease to any person on the usual terms and conditions for long term leases of real property offered by the Trustee to the highest bidder for such lease. The minimum bid amount of **$54,600.00** shall also apply with lump sum payment for the term of the lease.

The lease shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The lease price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within 72 hours from time of sale.

Dated this 31st day of August, 2011.

By: /s/ JOSHUA T. SASAMOTO
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**NOTICE OF SALE**
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**IN DEED OF TRUST**

**REGINA T. CASTRO** ("Trustor"), on or about October 23, 1984, gave and delivered to the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation ("Trustee"), acting on behalf of the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development Office ("USDA"), formerly known as Farmers Home Administration, United States of America ("FmHA"), a Deed of Trust upon certain real property hereinafter described, which Deed of Trust was recorded on October 23, 1984, under Document No. 84-2264 to secure payment of a Promissory Note of the Trustor to the Trustee, acting on behalf of the USDA, Rural Development Office.

The Deed of Trust and this Notice of Sale affect the property hereafter described:

**LOT NUMBER 005 B 09, CONTAINING AN AREA OF 407 SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS, AS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED ON DRAWING/CADASTRAL PLAT NUMBER 005 B 00, THE ORIGINAL OF WHICH WAS REGISTERED WITH THE LAND REGISTRY AS DOCUMENT NUMBER 832, ON THE 9TH DAY OF JUNE, 1971.**

The Trustor has defaulted on payment of the Note secured by the Deed of Trust, and by reason of said default, Trustee issued its Notice of Default and served to Trustor on November 24, 2008. More than thirty (30) days have passed since the default notice was served on Trustor and said default has not been cured.

Pursuant to 2 CMC § 4622(b)(2), NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Trustee will, on **October 4, 2011**, at 10:00 a.m., at the office of the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, Garapan, P.O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950, under power of sale contained in the Deed of Trust, sell the above described parcel of real property at public auction to the highest qualified bidder, to satisfy the obligations secured by said Deed of Trust. The minimum bid offer shall be not less than **$60,000.00**. Sealed bids will be opened at the auction and those present will be given the opportunity to submit an additional bid, thereby, outbidding the highest sealed bid amount received by NMHC and opened on the date of the auction.

Sealed bids must be addressed to Ms. Merced M. Tomokane, Chairwoman of the Board, Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, P. O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950 and must also be received no later than **October 3, 2011, at 4:00 p.m. All bids received from outside the Commonwealth must be received no later than October 3, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. Untimely sealed bids will be rejected.**

The sale shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The purchase price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within 72 hours from time of sale.

Trustee reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to cancel or extend the date, time and place for sale of such property. Any prospective buyer must be a person authorized by the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands to hold title to real property in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

The further right is reserved, in the absence of satisfactory bids for the outright sale of the said parcel of real property to a qualified buyer, to offer such property at the same time and place, or at a later time, for long-term lease to any person on the usual terms and conditions for long term leases of real property offered by the Trustee to the highest bidder for such lease. The minimum bid amount of **$60,000.00** shall also apply with lump sum payment for the term of the lease.

The lease shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The lease price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within 72 hours from time of sale.

Dated this 31st day of August, 2011.

By: /s/ JOSHUA T. SASAMOTO
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**NOTICE OF SALE**
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**IN DEED OF TRUST**

**ANTONIA T. TEIGITA/EFRAIN T. TEIGITA** (collectively "Trustor"), on or about August 1, 1984, gave and delivered to the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation ("Trustee"), acting on behalf of the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development Office ("USDA"), formerly known as Farmers Home Administration, United States of America ("FmHA"), a Deed of Trust upon certain real property hereinafter described, which Deed of Trust was recorded on August 1, 1984 under Document No. 84-1366 to secure payment of a Promissory Note of the Trustor to the Trustee, acting on behalf of the USDA, Rural Development Office.

The Deed of Trust and this Notice of Sale affect the property hereafter described:

**Lot No. 003 B 16, and containing an area of 1,117 square meters, more or less, as more particularly described on Drawing/Cadastral Plat Number 003 B 02, the original of which was registered with the Land Commission as Document 5979, on the 4th day of April, 1977.**

The Trustor has defaulted on payment of the Note secured by the Deed of Trust, and by reason of said default, Trustee issued its Notice of Default and served to Trustor on March 13, 2009. More than thirty (30) days have passed since the default notice was served on Trustor and said default has not been cured.

Pursuant to 2 CMC § 4622(b)(2), NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Trustee will, on **October 4, 2011**, at 10:00 a.m., at the office of the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, Garapan, P.O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950, under power of sale contained in the Deed of Trust, sell the above described parcel of real property at public auction to the highest qualified bidder, to satisfy the obligations secured by said Deed of Trust. The minimum bid offer shall be not less than **$53,600.00**. Sealed bids will be opened at the auction and those present will be given the opportunity to submit an additional bid, thereby, outbidding the highest sealed bid amount received by NMHC and opened on the date of the auction.

Sealed bids must be addressed to Ms. Merced M. Tomokane, Chairwoman of the Board, Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, P. O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950 and must also be received no later than **October 3, 2011, at 4:00 p.m. All bids received from outside the Commonwealth must be received no later than October 3, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. Untimely sealed bids will be rejected.**

The sale shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The purchase price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within three (3) working days from time of sale.

Trustee reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to cancel or extend the date, time and place for sale of such property. Any prospective buyer must be a person authorized by the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands to hold title to real property in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

The further right is reserved, in the absence of satisfactory bids for the outright sale of the said parcel of real property to a qualified buyer, to offer such property at the same time and place, or at a later time, for long-term lease to any person on the usual terms and conditions for long term leases of real property offered by the Trustee to the highest bidder for such lease. The minimum bid amount of **$53,600.00** shall also apply with lump sum payment for the term of the lease.

The lease shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. The lease price shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within 72 hours from time of sale.

Dated this 31st day of August , 2011.

By: /s/ JOSHUA T. SASAMOTO
Corporate Director

# Commonwealth I Sankattan Siha Na Islas Mariana
# Ofisinan I Gubietno
# Dipåttamenton I Tano' Pupbliku

## NOTICE OF PROPOSED LEASE EXTENSION FOR PUBLIC LAND

In accordance with Section 106 (a) and (b) of Public Law 15-2, the Department of Public Lands hereby gives notice of its intent to recommend the extension of a lease on certain public land in Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. This lease extension is subject to the approval of the Northern Mariana Islands Commonwealth Legislature in accordance with the mandate set out in Article XI, § 5(c) of the Constitution of the Northern Mariana Islands. Any interested parties of the general public may submit comments, data, views, or arguments of alternative proposals for the lease of the public land. As further provided by Public Law 15-2, the following pertinent information is required to be published.

i. The leased premises is described as public land Lot No. 025 E 01, containing an area of approximately 12,225 square meters, more or less, situated in Lower Base, Saipan. A copy of the location of the parcel is available at the Department of Public Lands for inspection.

ii. The lessee is L&T Group of Companies, Ltd., a CNMI Corporation. The Board of Directors of the Corporation are Willie Tan, Jerry Tan, and Glicerio Arago.

The President of the Corporation is Willie Tan. The Vice President is Jerry Tan. The Treasurer/Secretary is Glicerio Arago.

iii. The proposed lease extension was negotiated by Mr. Glicerio Arago.

iv. The lessee shall continue to use the premises solely for the purpose of operating the business of warehousing, moving, loading and unloading and storage of property , and activities related thereto.

The term of the lease agreement extension is 15 years.

v. Copies of the proposed lease extension agreements may be obtained at the office of the Department of Public Lands, located on the 2nd floor of the Joeten Dandan Commercial Building in Dandan, Saipan; Songsong Village, Rota; or the 1st floor of the Kings Commercial Building, Tinian.

vi. The Department of Public Lands has received no alternative proposals to lease the subject public lands in Lower Base, Saipan.

vii. The Secretary of the Department of Public Lands shall accept written comments, views, arguments or alternative proposals from interested parties on or before September 27, 2011 at the Department of Public Lands offices located in Saipan, Rota or Tinian.

## I MAPROPONI NA INEKSTENSION ATKILON TÅNU' PUPBLIKU

Sigun gi nutisia Seksiona 106(a) yan (b) gi Lai Pupbliku 15-2, i Dipattamentun Tånu' Pupbliku Siha guini ha nutisia na i intension-ña na para u rekumenda i inekstendin atkilon gi sigienti na tanu' pupbliku giya Saipan, Commonwealth gi Sangkattan na Islas Marianas siha.

Esti i inekstendin atkilon masuhetu para i inaprueban i Leyislatura gi Commonwealth gi Sangkattan na Islas Marianas siha sigun ni mamånda ni mapega huyung gi Attikulu XI, § 5(c) gi Konstitusion gi Sangkattan na Islas Marianas. Maseha håyi na petsona siha gi halum i pupbliku henerât siña ha na'hålum imfetmasion, opiñon, pat testamoñon kinentra gi tinahgui na propositu siha para i atkilon tanu' pupbliku. Komu sigi mo'na mapribeniyi ginin i Lai Pupbliku 15-2, gi sigienti pettanesi na imfotmasion ni madimånda para u mapupblika.

i. I atkilon i lugåt madiskribi komu tanu' pupbliku Lot No. 025 E 01, kinonsisti kåsi guaha 12,225 na åria (square meters), putlumenus pat mås, ni gaigi giya Lower Base, Saipan. I kopian esti na lugåt yan i pumalu nai guaha gi Dipattamentun Tånu' Pupbliku ni para u marikunosi.

ii. I manatkikila i L & T Group of Companies, Ltd., i CNMI Corporation. I Direktot i Kuetpu siha gi Corporation si Willie Tan, Jerry Tan, yan si Glicerio Arago.

I Presidentin i Corporation si Willie Tan. I Sigundu Presidenti si Jerry Tan. I Tresureru/Sikritåriu si Glicerio Arago.

iii. I maproponin inekstendin atkilon manigosiu as Siñot Glicerio Arago.

iv. I manatkikila debi na u kuntinuha umusa i lugåt solamienti para i maneran operasion bisnis i warehousing, moving, loading yan unloading yan storage i property, yan aktibidåt siha ni uma'achuli' guihi siha.

I teman esti na kuntråta inekstendin atkilon sa' kinsi (15) åñus.

v. I kopian i kuntråtan i manmaproponi na inekstendin atkilon siha siña machuli' gi ufisinan i Dipattamentun Tanu' Pupbliku, gaigi gi mina'sigundu(2nd) bibienda gi Joeten Dandan Commercial Building giya Dandan, Saipan; gi Songsong Village, Luta; pat gi Primet(1st) bibienda giya Kings Commercial Building, Tinian.

vi. I Dipattamentun Tanu' Pupbliku tåya' ha risibi tinahguin propositu ni para u ma'atkila i suhetu tanu' pupbliku siha giya Lower Base, Saipan.

vii. I Sikritåriun i Dipattamentun Tanu' Pupbliku debi na u aksepta i tinigi' imfotmasion, opiñon, testamoñon kinentra pat tinahguin propositu siha ginin i gai intires na petsona siha gi pat åntis di Septembre 27, 2011 gi ufisinan i Dipattamentun Tanu' Pupbliku ni gaigi Saipan, Luta, pat Tinian.

## ARONGORONG REEL POMWOL AKKILONUL FALÚWEER TOULAP

Sángi Tálil ye 106 (b) mellól Alléghúl Toulap 15-2, Bwulasiyool Ammwlil Falúweer Toulap ekke atotoowow ammataf igha ebwe akkilaaló eghús falúw mellól Seipel, Commonwealth Téél Falúwasch Marianas. Akkilon yeel nge ebwe mwir sangi alughulughul Sów Ffëérúl Allégh mellol Commonwealth Northern Mariana Islands iye e alléghewow mellól Article XI, Tálil 5(c) mellól Allégh Lapalap Northern Mariana Islands. Schóókka eyoor máfiyeer nge rebwe ischilong aghiyghiir, awewee, aingiingil reel pomwol akkilonul ammwelil falúweer toulap mebwal Alléghúl Toulap ye 15-2, e ayoora, lamal awewee kka rebwe mweiti ngáli milikka ebwe akkatééló.

i. Pomwol akkilonul falúweer toulap nge ekke bwáári Lot No.025 E 01, ebwe yoor seigh me eew sangaras ruwabwughúw reweigh me limoow llapal (12, 225 square meters), elapeló me ngáre eghús, elo Lower Base, Seipél Tilighial bwuley yeel nge eyoor mereel Bwulasiyool Falúweer Toulap (Public Lands) ngáre óubwe ghuley fischiy.

ii. Schéschéél schóól akkilon nge L&T Group of Company, CNMI Corporation. Mwiischil asamwool kkey (Directors) mellól Corporation nge Willie Tan, Jerry Tan, me Glicerio Arago.

Samwoolul Corporation nge Willie Tan. Arúscheyil Samwool nge Jerry Tan.
Treasurer/Secretary nge Glicerio Arago.

iii. School aweweel akkilon yeel nge Mr. Glicerio Arago..

iv. Schóól akkilon ebwe sobwey yaal mwóghut ágheli bisinisil sokko, amwatal me atotootiw me sokkol peiragh me akkááw mwóghutul.

Tool aighúghúl pomwol akkilon nge reweigh me limoow ráágh (25 years)

v. Tilighial akkilon yeel nge emmwel óubwe bwughi mereel bwulasiyool Ammwelil Falúweer Toulap, elo aruwowal pwó (2nd floor) me Joeten Dandan Commercial Building llol Tuturam, Seipél; aruwowal pwó (2nd floor) mellól Bank of Saipan Commercial Building, Luuta; me ngáre mmwal pwó (1st floor) mellól Kings Commercial Building, Tchúlúyól.

vi Bwulasiyool Ammwelil Falúweer Toulap nge esáál bweibwogh mwo pomwol akkilon ye elo Lower Base, Seipel..

vii. Samwoolul Bwulasiyool Ammwelil Falúweer Toulap nge ebwe bwughil ischil mángemáng, aingiingil mereel amweyút mmwal Maan (September) 27, 2011 mellól Bwulasiyool Ammwelil Falúweer Toulap iye elo Seipél, Luuta, Tchúlúyól.

# Commonwealth I Sankattan Siha Na Islas Mariana
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## NOTICE OF PROPOSED LEASE EXTENSION FOR PUBLIC LAND

In accordance with Section 106 (a) and (b) of Public Law 15-2, the Department of Public Lands hereby gives notice of its intent to recommend the extension of a lease on certain public lands in Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. The lease extension is subject to the approval of the Northern Mariana Islands Commonwealth Legislature in accordance with the mandate set out in Article XI, § 5(c) of the Constitution of the Northern Mariana Islands. Any interested parties of the general public may submit comments, data, views, or arguments of alternative proposals for the lease of the public land. As further provided by Public Law 15-2, the following pertinent information is required to be published.

i. The leased premises is described as public land Lot No. 010 B 96, containing an area of approximately 909 square meters, more or less, and Lot No. 010 B 97, containing an area of approximately 1,072 square meters, more or less, situated in San Roque, Saipan. A copy of the location of the parcel is available at the Department of Public Lands for inspection.

ii. The lessee is V & C Enterprises, Inc., a CNMI Corporation. The Board of Directors of the Corporation are Victoria B. Camacho, Cathy C. Villagomez, Claudine B. Camacho, Michelle C. Macaranas, and Neda B. Camacho.

The President of the Corporation is Victoria B. Camacho. The Vice Presidents are Cathy C. Villagomez and Claudine B. Camacho. The Treasurer is Michelle C. Macaranas. The Secretary is Neda B. Camacho.

iii. The proposed lease extension was negotiated by Mrs. Victoria B. Camacho.

iv. The lessee shall continue to use the premises solely for the purpose of operating a grocery store, coin operated laundromat, poker machine establishment, gasoline service/filling station, mini-mart, storage and facilities directly related to these activities.

The term of the lease agreement extensions is 15 years.

The proposed annual rental during the term is based on a percentage of the appraised fair market value of the properties.

v. Copies of the proposed lease extension agreements may be obtained at the office of the Department of Public Lands, located on the 2nd floor of the Joeten Dandan Commercial Building in Dandan, Saipan; Songsong Village, Rota; or the 1st floor of the Kings Commercial Building, Tinian.

vi. The Department of Public Lands has received no alternative proposals to lease the subject public lands in San Roque, Saipan.

vii. The Secretary of the Department of Public Lands shall accept written comments, views, arguments or alternative proposals from interested parties on or before September 27, 2011 at the Department of Public Lands offices located in Saipan, Rota or Tinian.

## NUTISIA PUT MAPROPONIN INEKSTENDIN INATKILON TANU' PUPBLIKU

Sigun gi Seksiona 106(a) yan (b) gi Lain Pupbliku 15-2, i Dipattamentun Tanu' Pupbliku guini ha nå'i nutisia ni intensionña para u rekumenda i inekstenden inatkilon gi pumalu na tånu' pupbliku siha giya Saipan, Commonwealth gi Sangkattan na Isla Marianas siha. Esti na inekstendin atkilon siha manmasuhetu para i inaprueban i Lehislaturan Commonwealth gi Sangkattan na Islas Marianas gi sigun ni mamånda ni mapega huyung gi Attikilu XI, § 5(c) gi Konstitusion i Sangkattan na Islas Marianas siha. Maseha håyi na pattida siha gi halum i pupbliku henerât siña ha na'hålum i imfotmasion, opiñon, pat testamoñun kinentra siha gi tinahguen propositu siha ni para i atkilon tånu' pupbliku. Sigi mås mo'na mapribeniyi ginin i Lain Pupbliku 15-2, i tinattitiyi pettanesin imfotmasion ni madimånda ni debi na u mapupblika.

i. I lugåt atkilon siha madeskribi komu tano' pupbliku Lot No. 010 B 96, kinonsisti årian kåsi guaha 909 square meters, putlumenus mås, yan i Lot No. 010 B 97, kinonsisti i åria ni kåsi guaha 1,072 square meters, mås pat menus, ni gaigi giya San Roque, Saipan. I kopian i pumalu na lugåt gaigi na gumuaha gi Dipattamentun Tanu' Pupbliku siha ni para i rikunosimientu.

ii. I manatkikila i V & C Enterprises, Inc., i CNMI Corporation. I Kuetpun Direktot siha gi Corporation si Victoria B. Camacho, Cathy C. Villagomez, Claudine B. Camacho, Michelle C. Macaranas, yan si Neda B. Camacho.

I Presidenti gi Corporation si Victoria B. Camacho. I sigundu Presidenti si Cathy C. Villagomez yan si Claudine B. Camacho. I Tresureria si Michelle C. Macaranas. I Sekritåria si Neda B. Camacho.

iii. I maproponi na ekstension atkilon manigosiu gi as Siñora Victoria B. Camacho.

iv. I manatkikila debi na u kontinua umusa i lugåt siha uniku para i hinangai i operasion tendan grocery, coin operated laundromat, inistaplesin måkinan poker, setbisiun gasoline/filling station, mini mart, storage yan fasilidåt siha ni mana'achuli' guini na aktibidåt.

I teman i kuntråtan atkilon ha ekstendi gi 15 åñus.

I manmaproponi na åpas atkilon gi sakkan gi durântin i tema sigun gi percentage gi appraised fair market value gi propiedåt siha.

v. Kopian i manmaproponi na kontråta ekstension atkilon siha siña machuli' gi ufisinan i Dipattamentun Tanu' Pupbliku siha, gaigi gi segundu bibienda 2nd floor gi Joeten Dandan Commercial Building giya Dandan, Saipan; gi Songsong Village, Luta; pat i primet 1st bibienda gi Kings Commercial Building, Tinian.

vi. I Dipattamentun Tanu' Pupbliku siha tåya' ha risibi tinahguin propositu siha para sinuhetun atkilon tanu' pupbliku siha giya San Roque, Saipan.

vii. I Sekritåriun i Dipattamentun Tanu' Pupbliku siha debi na u aksepta i tinigi' i imfotmasion, opiñon yan testamoñun kinentra pat tinahguin propositu siha ginin i manggai interes na pattida siha gi pat åntis di Septembre 27, 2011 gi ufisinan Dipattamentun Tanu' Pupbliku siha ni gaigi Saipan, Luta, pat Tinian.

## ARONGORONG REEL POMWOL EBWE SÓBWEEYLÓ AKKILON-UL FALUWEER TOULAP

Sángi Tálil 106 (a) me (b) mellól Public Law 15-2, Bwulasiyool Faluweer Toulap ekke atotoow ammataf igha e tipáli bwe ebwe tingóór extension reel akkilon mereel eghus falúweer toulap mewóól Seipél, Commonwealth Téél Falúw Kka Efáng Marianas. Lease extension yeel ebwe alúghúlúghló mereel Téél Falúw Kka Efáng Marianas Commonwealth Legislature sángi llól mandate ye e towoow mellól Article XI, § 5(c) mellól Constitution-ul Téél Falúw Kka Efáng Marianas. Reer toulap schóókka eyoor yaar mwuschel rebwe issisilong yaar mwáliili, mángemáng, aweewe me angiingil reel poomw kkaal reel akkilon-ul falúweer toulap. Me Public Law 15-2, e ayoora lamal aweewe kka e fisch ngáli milikka ebwe akkatéélo.

i. Akkilon-ul falúw yeel ekke bwáárilo bwe public land Lot No. 010 B 96, emmwel ebwe yoor tiwabwughúw tiwoow (909) square meters, elapló ngáre eghus, me ebwe yoor eew Lot No. 010 B 97 sangaras fissigh me ruwoow (1,072) square meters, elapló ngáre eghus, elo San Roque, Seipél. Tiliighil bwuley yeel nge eyoor mereel Bwulasiyol Falúweer Toulap (Department of Public Land) bwe aubwe ghuleey fischiy.

ii. Schóól lessee nge V & C Enterprises, Inc, eew CNMI Corporation. Samwoolur Board-ul Corporation yeel nge ikka, Victoria B. Camacho, Cathy C. Villagomez, Claudine B. Camacho, Michelle C. Macaranas, me Neda B. Camacho.

President-il Corporation yeel nge Victoria B. Camacho. Vice President nge Cathy C. Villagomez me Claudine B. Camacho. Treasurer nge Michelle C. Macaranas. Secretary nge Neda B. Camacho.

iii. Schóól aweewel pomwol lease extension yeel nge Mrs. Victoria B. Camacho.

iv. Schóól lessee ebwe sóbweyló yaal yáali bwuley yeel reel mwóghutul ebwe ayoor grocery store, coin operated Laundromat, poker machine establishment, gasoline service/filling station, mini-mart, storage me facilities kka ebwe yáayá reel milikkaal.

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Pomwol annual rental reel tool nge ebwe bweibwogh sángi percentage-il appraised fair market value reel properties.

v. Tiliighil ngáre kopiyal pomwol abwungubwungul ebwe sóbweeyló akkilon yeel emmwel ebwe bweibwogh mellól bwulasiyol Ammwelil Falúweer Toulap (Department of Public Land), elo 2nd floor mereel Joeten Dandan Commercial Building me Dandan, Seipél; Songsong Village, Luuta; ngáre 1st floor mereel Kings Commercial Building, Tchúlúyól.

vi. Ammwelil Falúweer Toulap(Department of Public Land) esáál bweighbwogh mwo pomwol akkilon ye public lands me San Roque, Seipél.

vii. Samwoolul Ammwelil Falúweer Toulap (Secretary of the Department of Public Lands) ebwe bwughil iischil mángemáng, angiingi me ngáre ifa mereel pomwo kkaal sángi schóókka re tipáli, wóól me ngáre mmwal Maan (September) 27, 2011 mereel Ammwelil Falúweer Toulap (Department of Public Lands offices) kka elo Seipél, Luuta, me ngáre Tchúlúyól.

# Science & Technology

## How to consolidate music efficiently

By STEVE ALEXANDER
STAR TRIBUNE (MINNEAPOLIS)

**QUESTION: The music files on my Windows 7 PC are stored in three different folders, and this makes it difficult to find a file to include as an attachment in an e-mail. One file has 222 songs, one has five and another has nine. How do I consolidate all the songs in one place? I use iTunes almost exclusively, but also have Windows Media Player.—Chester Jacobsen, Richfield, Minn.**

**ANSWER:** You can put all your songs in a single directory, or folder, that will be used by iTunes.

Because you have 222 songs in one folder, it would be easiest to consolidate the other 14 songs into that folder. Why? When you shift a song to a different file folder, you change its address on the hard disk and iTunes can't find it. That means you'll need to add each song's new location to iTunes—and it will be easier to do that 14 times than 222 times.

The best consolidation method is to copy the 14 song files from their existing folders, then paste them into the 222-song folder. This leaves copies of the songs at their original locations so that Windows Media Player can still find them.

Then, in iTunes, go to File and click "add file to library." Using the resulting directory, highlight your consolidated song folder. To add the 14 songs you just transferred to the folder to iTunes, one at a time, highlight the song and click "open" at the bottom of the menu.

Now you need to weed out the duplicate song listings in iTunes, which will now show that you have two copies of the 14 songs, one in the old folder and one in the consolidated folder.

To find out which of the two song copies you want to delete, right-click one of them in iTunes, then click "get info" from the resulting menu. Look at the "where" listing at the bottom of the info box to see which folder the song is in, and delete the one at the old location. To eliminate a song from iTunes, right click it and choose "delete," then click "remove."

**Q: I can't get any operating system updates for Windows Vista. This feature worked when I first got the software, then stopped. This seems to be a common problem, but there's not a solution that works for everyone. Any ideas?—Dennis Albright, Minneapolis**

**A:** Microsoft acknowledges that many people have had trouble updating Windows Vista, and it provides a way to fix the problem at http://www.tinyurl.com/ls6hhr. This solution was updated June 29, which probably makes it more current than other solutions you read about.

You can make the adjustment yourself if you're comfortable modifying the Windows registry, a task that has risks for your PC if you make a mistake. Or click the website's "fix it" button, and the change will be made automatically.

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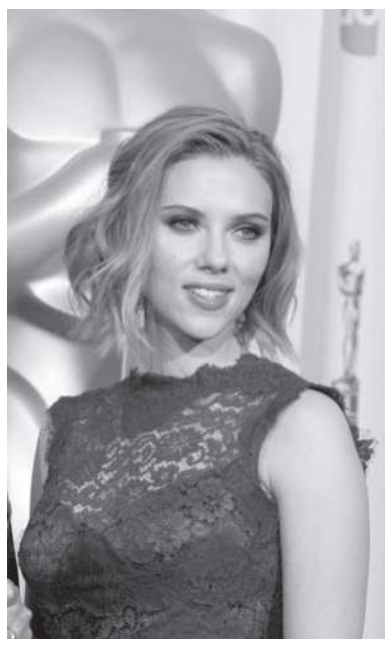
## Scarlett Johansson alleges hacking; FBI confirms celeb-focused probe

By ANDREW BLANKSTEIN
LOS ANGELES TIMES

**LOS ANGELES**—Amid reports of nude pictures of Scarlett Johansson allegedly hacked from her cell phone, FBI officials Wednesday confirmed a "continuing probe" into "a series of computer intrusions" targeting celebrities.

FBI spokeswoman Laura Eimiller would not say how many people had been victimized or give specifics about the length of the investigation, the nature of the hacks or how many suspects were involved.



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Scarlett Johansson at the 83rd Annual Academy Awards at the Kodak Theatre in Los Angeles, California, on Sunday, February 27, 2011.

"I can confirm that the FBI is investigating a series of computer intrusions targeting high-profile figures," Eimiller said.

A flurry of reports that young celebrities were being victimized by hackers, who had somehow obtained compromising images off their computers, email accounts or cell phones, first surfaced in March.

But at the time, FBI officials would not confirm or deny whether they had opened an investigation into those cases, which reportedly numbered into the dozens.

There were reports Wednesday of multiple nude images being taken from Johansson's cell phone that ended up on the Internet. FBI officials would not say whether the actress was one of the celebrities in the probe.

## A master mechanic for your PC

By NOAH MATTHEWS
MCCLATCHY-TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

Sad to have to tell you this, but your PC is bloated. It's running slowly, and your memory is leaking. Malware has infected your system, and your Internet speed is so slow, you could revert to snail mail instead of using email, and it would get there faster. Websites come up so slowly you could grab a latte and drink it before you get to your chosen site.

But I have a solution: System Mechanic. The newest version will take care of most of your PC's ills. After running a quick scan, it will tell you why your PC is bloated, for instance, and it will get rid of the bloat faster than you can say "lap band surgery." It will check for malware, tell you if your system is vulnerable and will check to see if you have an active firewall, the program within Windows that keeps out Internet intruders and hackers.

And don't get me started about all the wonders it will do for your registry files, those mysterious lines of code that can make or break your system's health. It will get rid of the bloat (the manufacturer aptly calls it crud)—files that slow down your system, turning your elephant into a gazelle.

Temporary files disappear, along with startup programs you no longer need or use. This will make your PC run faster (see gazelle, above). System Mechanic will check for hard-drive errors that could put you out of business. It will update drivers, essential files that are needed, for example, for your new printer to work. If you have a half hour or so, it will optimize your PC's huge hard drive so that programs run faster, and files come up in a flash. It claims your PC will run 300 percent faster after your system is optimized.

## Follow? No, Facebook to let users 'subscribe'

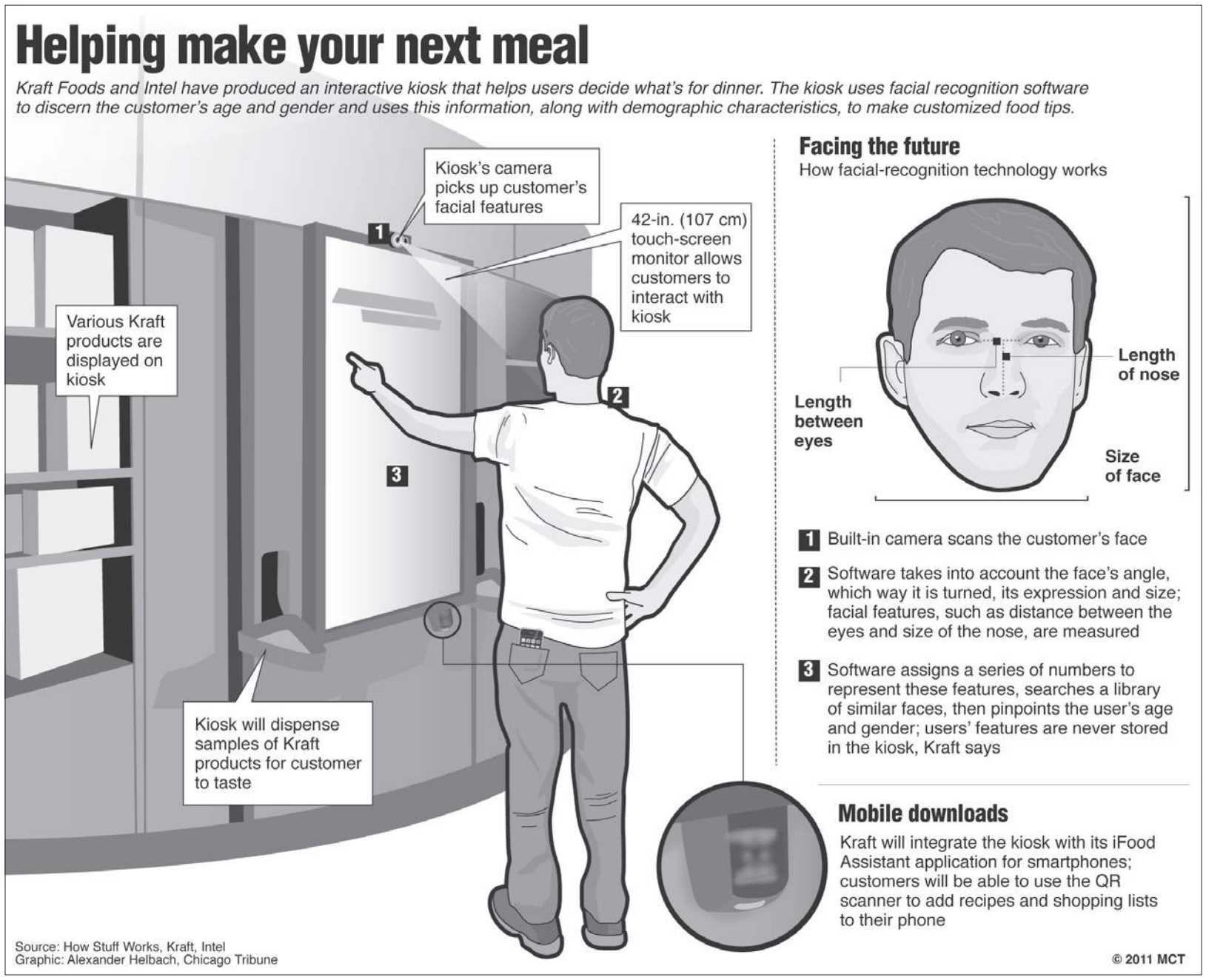
**NEW YORK** (AP)—In a nod to rival social networks, Facebook is letting its users "subscribe" to news from other members—even those they are not friends with.

Facebook said in a blog post Wednesday that it is rolling out the "subscribe" button to users in the next few days. This will let people hear from Facebook users they don't know personally—such as celebrities or political figures.

Public figures have already been using Facebook to send news to their fans by creating public pages. By clicking the "like" button on these pages, users can see the updates in their own news feed.

The new button will let people bypass creating public pages and send updates directly to their subscribers. Only updates that users publicly share will be seen by subscribers, and Facebook says the feature is entirely optional. Twitter and Google Plus already have similar "follow" features.

Facebook's button is a bit more customizable, as Facebook features tend to be. Once you subscribe to someone's posts, you can decide whether to see all updates, most updates (which is what you normally see now), or only important updates, such as a marriage or a new job. You can even decide what form of updates you want to see—photos only, games only or some combination.


Helping make your next meal
Kraft Foods and Intel have produced an interactive kiosk that helps users decide what's for dinner. The kiosk uses facial recognition software to discern the customer's age and gender and uses this information, along with demographic characteristics, to make customized food tips.
Kiosk's camera picks up customer's facial features
42-in. (107 cm) touch-screen monitor allows customers to interact with kiosk
Various Kraft products are displayed on kiosk
Kiosk will dispense samples of Kraft products for customer to taste
1
2
3
Facing the future
How facial-recognition technology works
Length of nose
Length between eyes
Size of face
1 Built-in camera scans the customer's face
2 Software takes into account the face's angle, which way it is turned, its expression and size; facial features, such as distance between the eyes and size of the nose, are measured
3 Software assigns a series of numbers to represent these features, searches a library of similar faces, then pinpoints the user's age and gender; users' features are never stored in the kiosk, Kraft says
Mobile downloads
Kraft will integrate the kiosk with its iFood Assistant application for smartphones; customers will be able to use the QR scanner to add recipes and shopping lists to their phone
Source: How Stuff Works, Kraft, Intel
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# Life & Style

## Pat Robertson says Alzheimer's makes divorce OK

By TOM BREEN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Religious broadcaster Pat Robertson told his "700 Club" viewers that divorcing a spouse with Alzheimer's is justifiable because the disease is "a kind of death."

During the portion of the show where the one-time Republican presidential candidate takes questions from viewers, Robertson was asked what advice a man should give to a friend who began seeing another woman after his wife started suffering from the incurable neurological disorder.

"I know it sounds cruel, but if he's going to do something, he should divorce her and start all over again, but make sure she has custodial care and somebody looking after her," Robertson said.

Robertson

The chairman of the Christian Broadcasting Network, which airs the "700 Club," said he wouldn't "put a guilt trip" on anyone who divorces a spouse who suffers from the illness, but added, "Get some ethicist besides me to give you the answer."

Most Christian denominations at least discourage divorce, citing Jesus' words in the Gospel of Mark that equate divorce and remarriage with adultery.

Terry Meeuwsen, Robertson's co-host, asked him about couples' marriage vows to take care of each other "for better or for worse" and "in sickness and in health."

"If you respect that vow, you say `til death do us part,'" Robertson said during the Tuesday broadcast. "This is a kind of death."

A network spokesman said Wednesday that Robertson had no further statement.

Divorce is uncommon among couples where one partner is suffering from Alzheimer's, said Beth Kallmyer, director of constituent services for the Alzheimer's Association, which provides resources to sufferers and their families.

"We don't hear a lot of people saying `I'm going to get divorced,'" she told The Associated Press. "Families typically respond the way they do to any other fatal disease."

The stress can be significant in marriages though, Kallmyer said, because it results in the gradual loss of a person's mental faculties.

"The caregiving can be really stressful on a couple of levels," she said. "There's the physical level. There's also the emotional level of feeling like you're losing that person you love."

As a result, she said, it's important for couples to make decisions about care together in the early stages of the illness, when its effects aren't as prominent.

## Charlie Sheen quiets down some after manic spring

**NEW YORK** (AP)—Charlie Sheen says his life's a lot calmer now.

The actor and former star of CBS' "Two and a Half Men" told NBC's Matt Lauer that he didn't really know what happened this spring when he was fired from the show and began a manic round of media appearances talking about his "tiger blood" and "winning." Lauer's interview will air on the "Today" show on Friday, and NBC released excerpts on Wednesday.

"It was one of those things where the planets were aligned, perfectly or imperfectly. I said some stuff and then it caught such traction globally and instantly that I couldn't really put out the fire," Sheen said. "I had to keep fueling it."

Sheen

Sheen said the experience "was like being shot out of a cannon into another cannon and then being just shot out of that one. It was like from one moment to the next I didn't know what was going to happen. It was pretty exciting."

The actor said he was sober but couldn't tell Lauer the last time he took drugs or drank. He said he didn't believe in keeping track of the sober time because "if you're walking around hanging on to your time, it's only a matter of time before it goes."

Now he says he's reconnecting with his children—Cassandra with former girlfriend Paula Profit, Sam and Lola with actress Denise Richards, and twins, Bob and Max, with ex-wife Brooke Mueller—and appreciating the quiet things in life.

"That's where the life is, you know, it's in those quiet moments," he said. "It's not the giant TV deal or the big party or the award or whatever; it's the memory of your child's smile at the end of the day that sort of brings that one lonesome tear."

Sheen is also appearing Thursday on the "Tonight" show. His re-emergence coincides with the airing of a Comedy Central roast of him Monday, the same day that Ashton Kutcher debuts as Sheen's replacement on "Two and a Half Men."

## Court orders tossing of lawsuit over 'Bruno' scene

**LOS ANGELES** (AP)—A lawsuit accusing Sacha Baron Cohen of causing injuries to a woman during the filming of "Bruno" should be dismissed because the comedian was exercising his right to free speech when the mishap occurred, an appeals court has ruled.

Cohen

The 2nd District Court of Appeal said Monday that the finding prevents Baron Cohen from being sued by the woman who tried to force him and his crew from an event being filmed.

Richelle Olson sued Baron Cohen in June 2009, claiming she fell and hit her head moments after struggling with the comedian and his crew as she ordered him to leave a charity bingo game.

Her injuries were serious enough to require Olson to use a cane to walk, according to the lawsuit.

## Calle 13 gets record 10 Latin Grammy nominations

By NEKESA MUMBI MOODY
AP MUSIC WRITER

Irreverent hip-hop music duo Calle 13 got a record 10 Latin Grammy nominations Wednesday, including album, record and song of the year.

The duo were on hand when the nominations for the 12th annual awards were read in Los Angeles. The Puerto Rican-based group smiled when their names were announced several times, including for album of the year for their politically and socially charged "Entren Los Que Quieran."

The album included an anthem for Latinos, "LatinoAmerica." It also got top honors, nominated for both record and song of the year.

"I had no idea they were going to give us so many nominations. I can't believe it, forget it!" Rene Perez, half of the duo, said in an interview afterward.

"To me it's big that people have connected with the message (of the album). When I put it out I didn't know if they were going to like it. ... I think people connected with the honesty I did this with, and for me, that was enough."

Other multiple nominees included Shakira, who received three nominations, including best album for "Sale el Sol."

AP
Rene Perez Joglar, left, and Eduardo Cabra Martinez of the hip-hop duo Calle 13 look on during the 12th Annual Latin Grammy Nomination Announcement news conference in Los Angeles on Wednesday, Sept. 14, 2011.

Other nominees for best album included Enrique Iglesias for "Euphoria"; Franco De Vita for "En Primera Fila"; and Alex, Jorge and Lena for their self-titled album.

Besides Calle 13's "LatinoAmerica," nominees for record of the year included "Gritar" by Luis Fonsi; "Golpes en el Corazon" with Los Tigres del Nortre featuring Paulina Rubio; "Lo Mejor de Mi Vida Eres Tu" by Ricky Martin and Natalia Jimenez; and "Tan Solo Tu" by De Vita and Alejandra Guzman.

De Vita was one of the top nominees with five; record producer and engineer Rafa Arcaute was the second-most nominated artist with six.

Other key nominees included Marco Antonio Solis, who had five; alternative rockers Zoe, who had three; and Ricky Martin and Mana, who also had three.

Pitbull, Don Omar, Los Tigres Del Norte and Wisin and Yandel were among the acts that got two nominations each.

The Latin Grammys will be held Nov. 10 in Las Vegas and will air live on Univision.


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James Marsden, Kate Bosworth
Thriller • Rated R
Synopsis
A Hollywood screenwriter and his wife come under attack from her ex-flame and his vicious friends in director Rod Lurie's remake of Sam Peckinpah's 1971 home-invasion classic. In the wake of her father's death, Amy (Kate Bosworth) returns to her rural Southern hometown with her husband, David (James Marsden). Her goal is to put her childhood home on the market while David works on his latest screenplay. Meanwhile, David hires Amy's high school boyfriend Charlie (Alexander Skarsgård) and his crew to rebuild the roof on the secluded country home.

Drive
Friday 4:30 7:30 9:40
Saturday 1:30 4:30 7:30 9:40
Sunday 1:30 4:30 7:30
Mon thru Thurs 4:30 7:30
Ryan Gosling, Carey Mulligan
Thriller • Rated R
Synopsis
Director Nicolas Winding Refn (The Pusher Trilogy, Bronson) teams with screenwriter Hossein Amini to adapt author James Sallis' novel about a lone-wolf Hollywood stunt driver who moonlights as a criminal getaway driver. When the lightning-fast wheelman (Ryan Gosling) incurs the wrath of L.A.'s most dangerous criminal (Albert Brooks), the only way out of the mess is to put the pedal to the metal. Carey Mulligan, Bryan Cranston, Christina Hendricks, and Ron Perlman co-star.

I Don't Know How She Does It
Friday 4:05 7:05 9:35
Saturday 1:05 4:05 7:05 9:35
Sunday 1:05 4:05 7:05
Mon thru Thurs 4:05 7:05
Sarah Jessica Parker, Pierce Brosnan
Comedy • Rated PG 13

Contagion
Friday 4:25 7:25 9:55
Saturday 1:25 4:25 7:25 9:55
Sunday 1:25 4:25 7:25
Mon thru Thurs 4:25 7:25
Matt Damon, Marion Cottilard
Action • Rated PG 13

Shark Night 2D
Friday 4:15 7:15 9:50
Saturday 1:15 4:15 7:15 9:50
Sunday 1:15 4:15 7:15
Mon thru Thurs 4:15 7:15
Sinqua Walls, Chris Carmack
Horror • Rated PG 13

Conan The Barbarian
Friday 4:10 7:10 9:45
Saturday 1:10 4:10 7:10 9:45
Sunday 1:10 4:10 7:10
Mon thru Thurs 4:10 7:10
Jason Momoa, Rachel Nichols
Action Fantasy • Rated R

Spy Kids: All The Time In The World
Friday 4:00 7:00 9:30
Saturday 1:00 4:00 7:00 9:30
Sunday 1:00 4:00 7:00
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Jessica Alba, Joel McHale
Spy film, Adventure • Rated PG

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# Jackie O's antiquated views 'horrified' grandkids

**NEW YORK** (AP)—Caroline Kennedy says her daughters were "horrified" listening to taped interviews of grandmother Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis' old-fashioned views on the role of women.

In the 1964 interviews with Arthur Schlesinger Jr., the young widow described her marriage as "a rather terribly Victorian or Asiatic relationship" and said she got all her opinions from her husband, President John F. Kennedy.

Caroline Kennedy said Wednesday on ABC's "Good Morning America" that her two daughters were "absolutely horrified" when they listened to that portion of the tapes.

She said they asked: "Did she really think that?"

But Kennedy says the tapes are "just a snapshot of a world we barely recognize."

The audio recordings are being released Wednesday along with a book, "Jacqueline Kennedy: Historic Conversations on Life With John F. Kennedy."

## McBride to launch album with cross-country train

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP)—Country star Martina McBride is on track to release her new album, "Eleven," next month with a cross-country train ride.

The four-day, exclusive trip will take her from Los Angeles to New York and make 11 stops along the way. She'll perform intimate concerts for fans in Albuquerque, N.M., Chicago and New York.

The tour is called "'Eleven' Across America Powered By Amtrak."

The Grammy-winning singer says she's excited about this journey.

"Eleven" is McBride's 11th studio album. She was recently named the most played female artist on country radio for the past 11 years by Mediabase and Broadcast Data Systems.

McBride has sold more than 18 million albums. She's had six No. 1 hits including "Wild Angels" and "A Broken Wing."

AP

In this June 8, 2011 file photo, Martina McBride arrives at the 2011 CMT Music Awards in Nashville, Tenn.

## Husband of reality TV star says wife abducted

**FRONT ROYAL, Va.** (AP)—The husband of "Real Housewives of D.C." cast member Michaele Salahi reported to police that he believed his wife had been abducted, but investigators said Wednesday she assured them she was with a friend and "where she wanted to be."

Warren County Sheriff Daniel T. McEathron said his office was working with the FBI to contact Michaele Salahi to confirm her well-being.

"We're aware of the situation and we're going to work with the Warren County Sheriff's Office," said Dee Rybiski, a spokeswoman for the agency in Richmond.

The sheriff's office in Virginia's horse country said Tareq Salahi called Tuesday afternoon to report his wife missing. Gossip website TMZ reported that Tareq said he felt the sheriff's office wasn't taking his concerns seriously.

"This is not a publicity stunt ... " Tareq Salahi told WRC-TV in Washington. "I think she's being forced to say `I'm OK.' ... "I think she's missing."

An Associated Press call to a number for Tareq prompted a recorded message that the line could not accept additional calls.

In a statement, McEathron said Tareq Salahi was concerned because his wife was to return to northern Virginia on Wednesday and she had called the previous day from a phone with an Oregon area code.

Deputy Mike Glavis spoke with Michaele Salahi and she "seemed calm, was engaged in conversation, and assured the deputy that she had left the residence with a good friend and was where she wanted to be," the sheriff said in the statement. "Mrs. Salahi advised that she did not want Mr. Salahi to know where she was."

The Salahis burst onto the scene in 2009 when they crashed a White House state dinner.

## Jack Black, Conan to salute Will Ferrell in DC

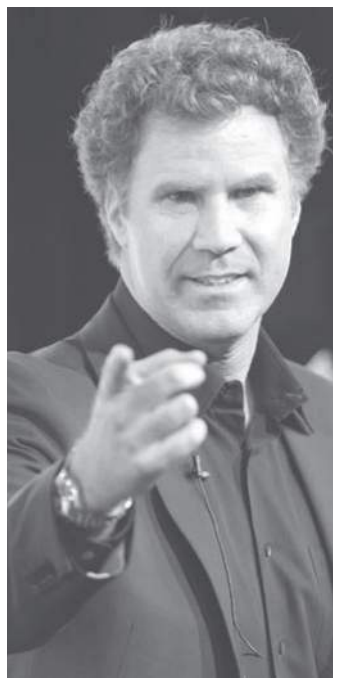
**WASHINGTON** (AP)—Jack Black, Conan O'Brien and Larry King will honor Will Ferrell with the nation's top humor prize, along with Maya Rudolph and Molly Shannon from his "Saturday Night Live" days.

On Wednesday, the Kennedy Center in Washington announced a lineup of star comedians who will perform in Ferrell's honor for the Mark Twain Prize for American Humor. They'll salute him Oct. 23 in a performance taped for broadcast Oct. 31 on PBS stations nationwide.

Ferrell's longtime collaborator Adam McKay from the films "Anchorman," "Talladega Nights" and "The Other Guys" will appear, as well as Lorne Michaels, Paul Rudd, John C. Reilly and the rock band Green Day.

Ferrell starred on "Saturday Night Live" for seven seasons, perfecting his character, "President George W. Bush." He went on to create FunnyorDie.com with McKay in 2007 and took his Bush character to Broadway in 2009's "You're Welcome America: A final night with George W. Bush."

His other impressions have included Janet Reno, Alex Trebek and Neil Diamond.



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In this Nov. 15, 2010 file photo, Will Ferrell poses at the premiere of the film "Burlesque" in Los Angeles.

Ferrell got his start in comedy with the Los Angeles improv group, The Groundlings, when he was discovered by "SNL."

The Mark Twain prize, now in its 14th year, recalls the social commentary and satire of Samuel Clemens, the writer known as Mark Twain. Past winners include Tina Fey, Bill Cosby, Steve Martin and Lily Tomlin.

## SHOWBIZ TIDBITS

### Actors, crime victims participate in press inquiry

**LONDON** (AP)—An eclectic mix of celebrities, crime victims and former police suspects will take part in a judge-led inquiry into the state of Britain's scandal-tarred press. Lord Justice Brian Leveson said Wednesday that Harry Potter creator JK Rowling, actors Hugh Grant and Sienna Miller, Formula One boss Max Mosley, the parents of missing girl Madeleine McCann and murdered schoolgirl Milly Dowler will participate. Leveson has been asked to examine the ethics of the British media and to investigate improper conduct. The group of around 46 people will give evidence on alleged media intrusion into their private lives. The inquiry was set up in response to the phone hacking scandal in which journalists at News International are accused of hacking into voice mails.

### Supreme Court Judge Breyer joins architecture jury

**LOS ANGELES** (AP)—Supreme Court Justice Stephen Breyer has a new judging gig where he'll be focusing on matters architectural rather than constitutional. Organizers of the Pritzker Architecture Prize—often referred to as the Nobel Prize for building design—announced Wednesday that Breyer and British architect Zaha Hadid were joining the jury that picks the award's annual winner. The Hyatt Foundation, which sponsors the prize, praised Breyer's long interest in art and architecture and noted his work on the forward to a book about courthouse design. It also called Hadid, a previous recipient of the prize, one of the era's most gifted architects. This year's Pritzker laureate is Portuguese architect Eduardo Souto de Moura. Other past recipients include Frank Gehry, Tadao Ando, Renzo Piano and I.M. Pei.

## Sadness that lingers is a symptom of depression

By ABIGAIL VAN BUREN
UNIVERSAL PRESS SYNDICATE

Dear Abby

DEAR ABBY: I am 18 years old and would like to know what kinds of symptoms show that it's time for counseling—depression, mood swings, etc.

CONSIDERING IT IN OHIO

**DEAR CONSIDERING IT: You have asked an important question. Everybody experiences sadness at some point, but sadness that doesn't go away can actually be depression, a medical condition. Anyone, regardless of age, who experiences any FIVE of the following symptoms for two weeks or more should discuss it with a mental health professional:**

**1. Feeling of sadness and/or irritability.**
**2. Loss of interest or pleasure in activities once enjoyed.**
**3. Changes in weight and appetite.**
**4. Changes in sleep patterns.**
**5. Feeling guilty, hopeless or worthless.**
**6. Inability to concentrate, remember things or make decisions.**
**7. Restlessness or decreased activity noticed by others.**
**8. Fatigue or loss of energy.**
**9. Thoughts of death or suicide.**

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DEAR ABBY: I have a wonderful hairdresser who helps not only me but also many of my friends and family members. She's the sole support for her family and the sweetest person you could ever meet. The issue is her sense of time.

There's no problem if you're the first or second appointment of the day, but after that she runs further and further behind. Yesterday, it took my frail mother-in-law 3 1/2 hours to get her hair done because of the wait time. I was the first appointment at 7:30 a.m. and she didn't make it into the shop until 7:40. How can I help her understand she's driving her customers away without offending her?

CUTTING TIME IN UTAH

**DEAR CUTTING TIME: Your hairdresser may be good at styling hair but it appears she's not a very good businesswoman. If she's losing customers because she manages her schedule so poorly, tell her why. You will be doing her a favor. And please, before you bring your frail mother-in-law in for another appointment, call to find out how late the woman is running before letting your mother-in-law sit for 3 1/2 hours before even seeing a shampoo bowl.**

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DEAR ABBY: I recently bought a small travel trailer that I use for weekend fishing trips. My dog, "Goldie," accompanies me on these short trips and sleeps with me on the only bed in the trailer.

My wife, "Shirley," is now expecting to go on some of my fishing trips with Goldie and me. The problem is, Goldie is used to sleeping with me, and I believe she should have first dibs on the bed since she was there first.

When I informed Shirley that she'd be sleeping in the back of the truck, she came unglued. Now, Shirley and I are hardly speaking. Goldie is a young Lab pup who is my very best friend, constant companion and never nags. I think my wife is being selfish and inconsiderate, but I'd like your opinion. Am I out of line here?

GOIN' FISHIN' IN MIDLAND, TEXAS

**DEAR GOIN' FISHIN': If you're expecting sympathy from me, you're barking up the wrong tree. You are not only out of line, but it appears you're also in the doghouse. A real Texas gentleman would let Shirley and Goldie share the bed while HE slept in the truck, and that's what I'm urging you to do.**

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*Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.*

# Pastimes

## Calvin and Hobbes

By Bill Waterson

I GOT A HELIUM BALLOON.
VERY NICE.
I'M GOING TO STAND ON THIS LADDER AND LET THE BALLOON CARRY ME UP AND AWAY.
NOTHING'S HAPPENING.
TRY JUMPING.
SEE? THERE GOES THE BALLOON. YOU DIDN'T HANG ON.
WATTERSON

## Garfield®

By Jim Davis

## Adam@home

By Bryan Basset

WELL, I'M INTERESTED IN THE SHOES, BUT I NEED TO THINK ABOUT IT.
AS IF.
SURE. COME BACK WHEN YOU'RE READY AND WE'LL GET YOU THE RIGHT PAIR.
THE DONUT SHOP IS NEXT DOOR.
THANKS. I'LL DO THAT.
IF THE DONUT SHOP EVER CLOSES.
OKAY. THEN HAVE A GREAT DAY.
WONDER IF I CAN GET MY JOB BACK AT THE SLAUGHTERHOUSE.
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## The Duplex

By Glenn McCoy

## CROSSWORD

*By Eugene Sheffer*

**ACROSS**
1 Style of jazz
4 Crimson Tide school, for short
8 Drawn-out story
12 Commotion
13 Satan's specialty
14 Pre-diploma hurdle
15 Attendance check
17 Slithery swimmers
18 Snaps
19 Firmament
21 Nevertheless
22 "Toddlers and —"
26 Duel tool
29 Toast topping
30 Right angle
31 Exceeding
32 Series of skirmishes
33 Arizona city
34 Healthy
35 Sharp turn
36 Man of morals?
37 Embodiment
39 Toss in
40 Mimic
41 Old 21-shilling coin
45 Coquettish one
48 Long-distance communication
50 Canal zone?
51 Greatly
52 Poorly lit
53 Spiders' spinnings
54 Church furniture
55 Motorists' org.

**DOWN**
1 Zinger
2 Stench
3 Staff
4 Boris of tennis
5 "Halt!" at sea
6 Wire measure
7 Outstanding athlete
8 "Bye"
9 Chopper
10 Cowboy's sweetie
11 Early hrs.
16 Tier
20 Novak or Basinger
23 Roger of "Cheers"
24 Additionally
25 Rebuff a masher
26 Couch
27 Tel —
28 Second letter
29 Binge
32 Bug, in a way
33 Doctor
35 Tase, maybe
36 Grown-ups
38 One of Franklin's certainties
39 Radiant
42 Zilch (Sp.)
43 Director Kazan
44 — mater
45 Small gull
46 Anger
47 Penpoint
49 Bullring bravo

**Solution time: 25 mins.**

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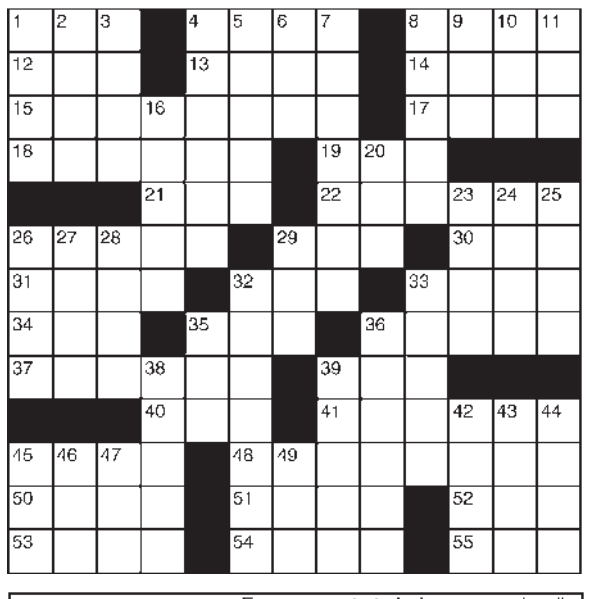

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**CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY**: Nick Jonas, 19; Alexis Bledel, 30; Amy Poehler, 40; Marc Anthony, 43.

**Happy Birthday**: This is your year to advance. Take a look at every opportunity and be ready to make your move instantly. Concentrate on assets and get rid of liabilities. You are in the driver's seat and it's up to you to make choices that will benefit you personally and financially. Your numbers are 2, 5, 12, 18, 23, 39, 44.

**ARIES** (*March 21-April 19*): Avoid slowing down when you should be speeding up. Express your enthusiasm regarding a project you are working on. Getting together socially with colleagues will lead to an interesting proposition. Consider all the angles before you make a decision. ✪✪✪

**TAURUS** (*April 20-May 20*): You'll be open to learning and will pick up what's conveyed to you quickly. Your astute response will keep you ahead of the competition. Don't give in to demands on your time. You may feel like a change, but don't do something you may regret. ✪✪✪

**GEMINI** (*May 21-June 20*): It may be difficult to keep a secret, but revealing what you shouldn't will affect the outcome of a decision and hinder your reputation. Say less and do more to avoid complaints. Focus on making money rather than spending on things you don't really need. ✪✪✪

**CANCER** (*June 21-July 22*): You may feel like sitting around at home, but don't do so alone. Open your doors and interact with people to stimulate your mind and prompt interesting ideas for projects you can pursue. Favors will be granted for your generosity and hospitality. ✪✪✪✪

**LEO** (*July 23-Aug. 22*): Take a passionate approach to whatever you do. Invite change and relish adventure. Love is in the stars. A greater need to embrace life will come over you, but avoid overspending when a little creativity and ingenuity will do. ✪✪

**VIRGO** (*Aug. 23-Sept. 22*): Educate yourself about an interest you want to pursue or a person who fascinates you. A trip will pay off in whom you meet and what you discover. Idle time will be your enemy. A change of routine will give you a new lease on life. ✪✪✪✪✪

**LIBRA** (*Sept. 23-Oct. 22*): Financial, legal and contractual developments can be expected. Keep tabs on the progress and on everyone involved. Precision and clarity are key to things turning out in your favor. A concern about property will change. ✪✪✪✪✪

**SCORPIO** (*Oct. 23-Nov. 21*): Clear up any unfinished business before the weekend. A partnership will grow closer if you share your thoughts and intentions. A passionate encounter should be planned. Your actions will affect the outcome of a relationship. ✪✪✪

**SAGITTARIUS** (*Nov. 22-Dec. 21*): Do whatever it takes to boost your confidence. Enhancing your appearance will help. Participate in events that challenge you mentally or physically. Do what you can to make superiors aware of your skills. Keep busy and avoid negative people. ✪✪✪

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**CAPRICORN** (*Dec. 22-Jan. 19*): Make plans to fix up your digs, make changes to your property or even move. Spending time with family will be rewarding and allow you to make personal changes with the approval of loved ones. Open your home to friends and relatives. ✪✪✪✪✪

**AQUARIUS** (*Jan. 20-Feb. 18*): Get your facts straight before you talk to someone you are concerned about. You mustn't meddle or you may end up being blamed for leading someone down the wrong path. Rely on your past experience to keep you out of trouble. ✪✪

**PISCES** (*Feb. 19-March 20*): The past will have a lot to do with your present circumstances. Have old information readily available in case someone wants to disrupt your plans. Reunite with someone who helped you a lot in the past and new possibilities will develop. ✪✪✪✪

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## SUDOKU

**Conceptis Sudoku** *By Dave Green*

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Difficulty Level ★★★★ 9/16

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Saturday.

**Yesterday's SUDOKU Answer**

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| 3 | 6 | 2 | 5 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 4 | 1 |
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| 1 | 8 | 5 | 3 | 6 | 7 | 2 | 9 | 4 |

Difficulty Level ★★★

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## WONDERWORD®

By DAVID OUELLET

**HOW TO PLAY:** All the words listed below appear in the puzzle — horizontally, vertically, diagonally, even backward. Find them and **CIRCLE THEIR LETTERS ONLY. DO NOT CIRCLE THE WORD.** The leftover letters spell the Wonderword.

TOM CLANCY'S 'DEAD OR ALIVE' **Solution: 8 letters**

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Dated this 13th day of September, 2011

/s/ Clerk of Court

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# Red Sox lose again, beaten by Blue Jays

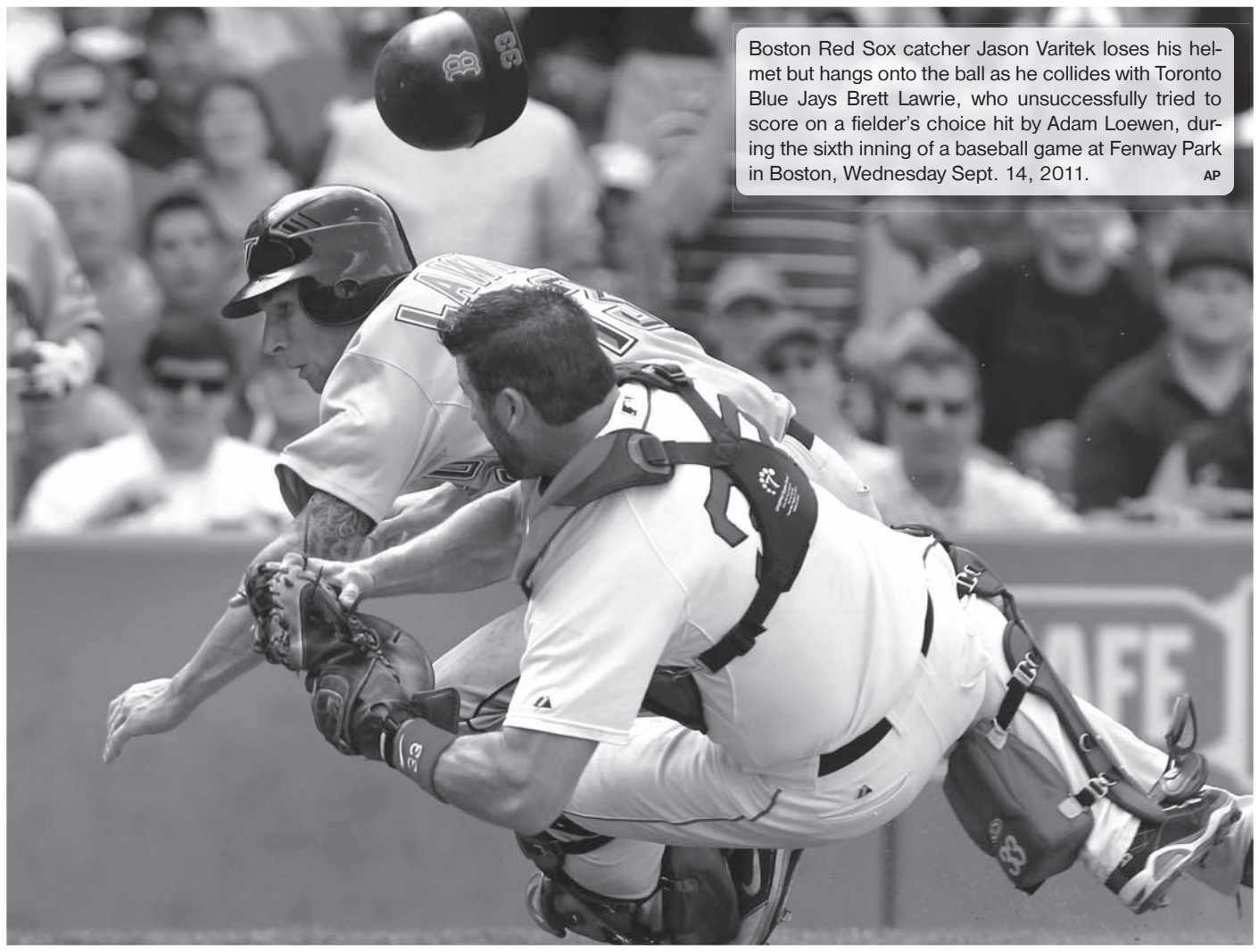
**BOSTON** (AP)—The reeling Boston Red Sox lost for the sixth time in seven games, wasting an eighth-inning lead and going down 5-4 to the Toronto Blue Jays on Wednesday to further tighten the American League wild-card race.

The Red Sox remained four games ahead of nearest rival Tampa Bay, which also lost, but Los Angeles moved within 4-1/2 games.

After getting swept in a three-game series at Tampa Bay last weekend, Boston hosts the Rays in a four-game series starting Thursday.

Boston led 4-2 in the eighth before Adam Loewen hit a two-run single against Daniel Bard (2-8).

Toronto starter Ricky Romero (15-10) allowed six hits in eight innings and improved to 8-1 in his past 10 starts.



Boston Red Sox catcher Jason Varitek loses his helmet but hangs onto the ball as he collides with Toronto Blue Jays Brett Lawrie, who unsuccessfully tried to score on a fielder's choice hit by Adam Loewen, during the sixth inning of a baseball game at Fenway Park in Boston, Wednesday Sept. 14, 2011. AP

### Tigers 6, White Sox 5, 10 innings

In Chicago, Carlos Guillen singled home the go-ahead run in the 10th inning to give Detroit victory over Chicago and its 12th straight win; its longest winning streak in 77 years.

Guillen also hit a solo homer for Detroit, which hadn't won 12 in a row since 1934, when the Tigers won the American League.

Closing in on an AL Central title, the surging Tigers rallied for three runs in the ninth.

Jose Valverde pitched the 10th to remain perfect in 44 save opportunities this year.

White Sox reliever Sergio Santos (4-5) blew his sixth save of the season.

### Rangers 9, Indians 1

In Arlington, Texas, Josh Hamilton's third career grand slam highlighted an eight-run fourth inning that powered Texas past Cleveland.

Hamilton and Mike Napoli bother homered off Indians rookie David Huff (2-5) in the decisive fourth, Texas' biggest inning since 2009.

Ian Kinsler also homered for the AL West-leading Rangers, who have won three straight and maintained a three-game lead over second-place Los Angeles.

Rangers starter Derek Holland (14-5) allowed one run with six strikeouts over seven innings. He has won eight of his past nine decisions.

### Mariners 2, Yankees 1, 12 innings

In Seattle, Luis Rodriguez led off the bottom of the 12th inning with a solo homer that gave Seattle victory over New York.

Rodriguez, who doubled in his previous two at-bats, hit a pitch from Cory Wade (5-1) into the right field seats.

The delayed Mariano Rivera's quest for a record 601 career saves.

Seattle reliever Steve Delabar (1-0), who was a substitute teacher earlier during the season before being signed by the Mariners, earned his first major league victory.

### Angels 4, Athletics 1

In Oakland, Jered Weaver pitched seven innings for his career-best 17th win of the season, as Los Angeles downed Oakland to maintain its playoff charge.

Weaver (17-7) pitched out of a bases-loaded situation in the first and escaped a two-on, one-out jam in the second. The A's managed only two baserunners over the final six innings.

Mark Trumbo hit a tiebreaking homer in the sixth, while Bobby Abreu added two hits and scored twice for the Angels.

Oakland starter Rich Harden (4-3) didn't make it out of the sixth, allowing three runs.

### Orioles 6, Rays 2

In Baltimore, Tampa Bay missed an opportunity to gain ground in the wild-card race, getting only three hits over seven innings against Baltimore pitcher Jeremy Guthrie.

After watching Boston lose to Toronto in an afternoon game, the Rays took the field with a chance to close within three games of the Red Sox in the AL wild-card hunt.

Instead, Tampa Bay lost its second straight to the last-place Orioles.

### Royals 7, Twins 3

In Kansas City, Mike Moustakas had three hits and drove in two runs in Kansas City's win over Minnesota.

The Royals have won four straight, matching the longest winning streak of the season, while the Twins have lost 19 of 23 and are in last place in the AL Central after winning the division the past two years.

Kansas City starter Luke Hochevar (11-11) gave up two runs in six innings.

Minnesota's Liam Hendricks (0-2), making his second big league start, was roughed up for five runs in five innings.

### Dodgers 3, Diamondbacks 2

In Los Angeles, Clayton Kershaw got his 19th victory of the season and was then ejected along with his manager Don Mattingly as the Dodgers beat the Arizona Diamondbacks.

Kershaw (19-5) allowed just one hit over five-plus innings before he hit Gerardo Parra on the elbow and was thrown out of the game.

The incident was a carry-over from Tuesday's game in which Parra momentarily stood at the plate to admire his homer.

Dodgers closer Kenley Jansen pitched the ninth to earn his fourth save in five chances, giving up one run.

Arizona's Daniel Hudson (16-10) gave up two runs in seven innings as the Diamondbacks comfortable lead in the NL West was sliced to 7-1/2 games ahead of San Francisco with 12 to play.

### Rockies 6, Brewers 2

In Milwaukee, the hosts' lead in the NL Central race was trimmed as Carlos Gonzalez homered and drove in three runs to lift Colorado to victory.

Milwaukee's lead over St. Louis was reduced to 5-1/2 games. The Brewers have Thursday off before a six-game road trip against Cincinnati and Chicago.

Milwaukee had led the division by 10-1/2 games and looked guaranteed for their first title in 29 years, but have struggled for wins since while St. Louis has won seven of eight.

Trailing 1-0, Colorado scored three in third capped by Gonzalez's homer, another in the fourth on a solo homer by Wilin Rosario and two more in the fifth, aided by a Brewers error.

Rockies starter Kevin Millwood (3-2) gave up two runs over six inning while starter Shaun Marcum (12-7) took the loss for Milwaukee.

### Braves 4, Marlins 1

In Atlanta, Alex Gonzalez hit a three-run homer during a four-run rally in the seventh inning that lifted Atlanta over Florida, maintaining their buffer in the wild-card race.

Martin Prado bunted in the other run during the inning for Atlanta, which is 4-1/2 games ahead of St. Louis with 12 and 13 games left respectively.

Cristhian Martinez, Eric O'Flaherty (2-4), Jonny Venters and rookie Craig Kimbrel each pitched a perfect inning to set up the Braves' recovery after Florida had gone ahead with a Greg Dobbs homer in the second.

### Cardinals 3, Pirates 2

In Pittsburgh, St. Louis kept pace with Atlanta as Yadier Molina hit a tiebreaking, two-run double to lift the visitors over Pittsburgh.

The loss was the 82nd of the season for the Pirates, confirming their 19th consecutive season with more defeats than victories. That is a record across all major league sports in North America.

Pittsburgh actually led the NL Central on July 19, but has won only 16 of 54 since.

Cardinals starter Edwin Jackson (5-2) allowed two runs in 7 1-3 innings and improved to 4-0 in his career against Pittsburgh. Jason Motte pitched a perfect ninth for the save.

Pittsburgh's Charlie Morton (9-10) lost his fourth straight start, giving up three runs in seven innings.

### Phillies 1, Astros 0

In Houston, Roy Halladay pitched his 20th career shutout to lead Philadelphia over Houston, becoming the first team this season to officially book a playoff spot.

The playoff berth had long been an inevitability for the dominant NL East leaders, who clinched at least a wild-card berth and will appear in the postseason for the fifth straight year. Philadelphia won the World Series in 2008 and took the NL pennant in 2009.

The Phillies said this week there would be no champagne celebration for wrapping up the wild card, and when Halladay finished off Houston he and his teammates barely cracked a smile.

### Giants 3, Padres 1

In San Francisco, Carlos Beltran hit two homers to give him 300 for his career, powering San Francisco past San Diego and completing a rare series sweep over their California rivals.

Beltran homered in the first inning and again in the sixth with a splash hit into McCovey Cove to put the Giants ahead. It marked the slugger's 30th career multi-homer game, third this year and first since joining San Francisco in a trade from the Mets.

### Nationals 2, Mets 0

In New York, Brad Peacock pitched five scoreless innings to earn his first major league win, beating a punchless New York.

Center fielder Rick Ankiel made a diving catch on a Jose Reyes' line drive with runners at the corners for the final out.

The Nationals won their fourth in a row and improved to 70-77, topping last year's victory total. They also pulled into a virtual tie with the Mets for third place in the NL East—the franchise has not finished third or higher since 2002, when it played in Montreal.

Washington's Michael Morse and Jayson Werth hit RBI singles with two outs in the third, handing the Mets a fifth straight loss.

### Reds 7, Cubs 2

In Cincinnati, Ramon Hernandez hit a three-run homer in the first inning to lay the foundations for Cincinnati's win over Chicago.

The Reds won even though starter Johnny Cueto—the major league leader with a 2.31 ERA—left after 3 2-3 innings because of a strained back muscle.

Inheriting a 5-0 lead, Sam LeCure (1-1) pitched 2 1-3 innings for the win.

Cubs starter Casey Coleman (2-8) gave up six runs in 3 2-3 innings.

## *Dodgers owner reach temporary spousal support deal*

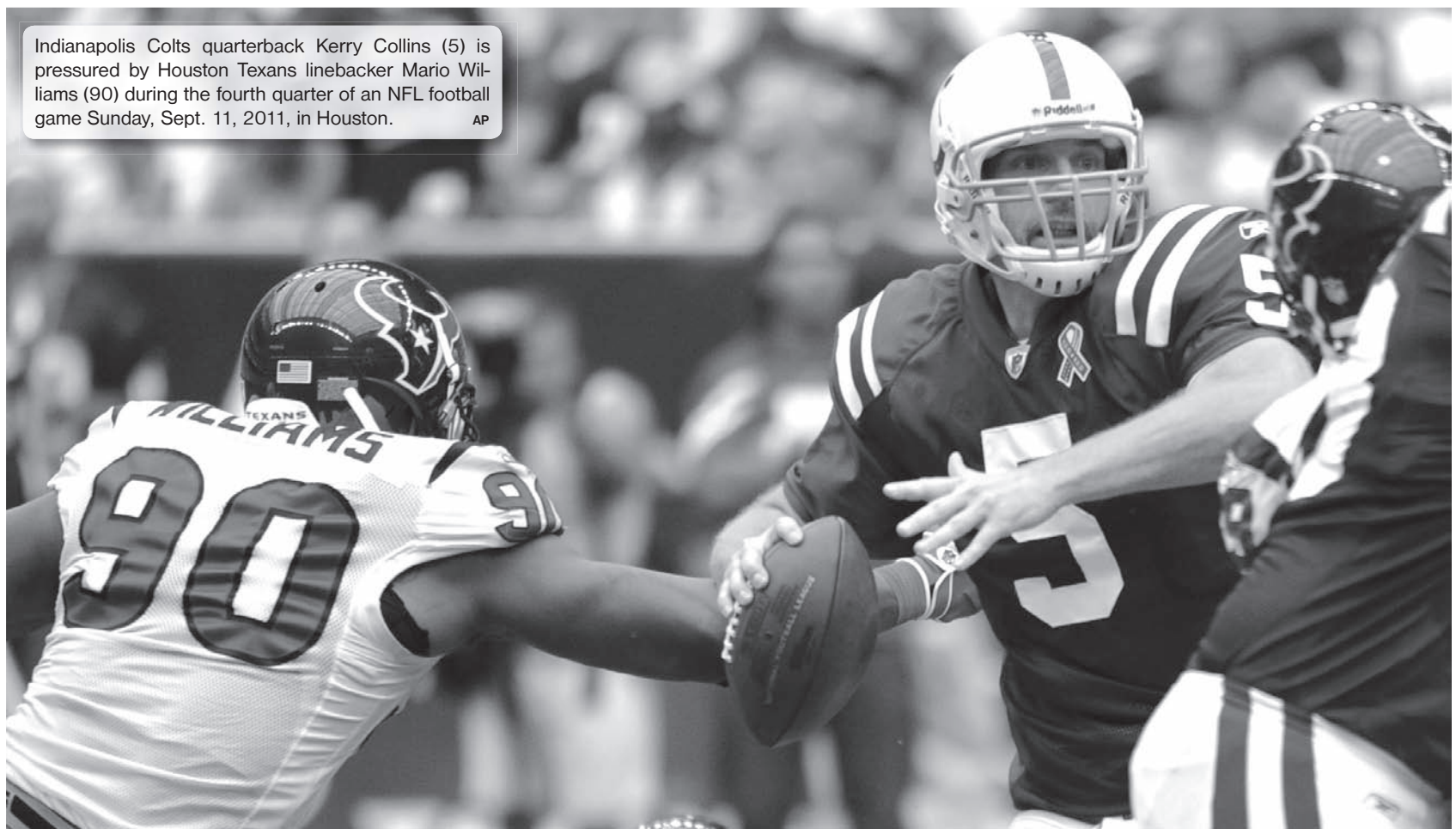
**LOS ANGELES** (AP)—Los Angeles Dodgers owner Frank McCourt will keep paying $225,000 per month to his ex-wife, but money once used toward the mortgages of six luxurious homes will come from a $1.1 million escrow account, attorneys said Wednesday.

Attorneys for the former couple hammered out a deal that called for McCourt to pay temporary spousal support to Jamie McCourt over the next couple of months. He was paying an additional $412,159 a month for the mortgages of six homes and a condominium, but that money will now come from an account created after the sale of a home near the Playboy Mansion.

The McCourts have been embroiled in a costly and nasty divorce battle where the main prize has been the Dodgers. What will happen to the team has been put on hold until a bankruptcy court in Delaware sorts out the mess.

"More clearly, until the case is out of bankruptcy, the Dodgers can't be sold," said Superior Court Judge Scott Gordon, who presided over an 11-day trial regarding the validity of the McCourts' postnuptial marital agreement.

# Colts' Collins ready to make up for rough start



Indianapolis Colts quarterback Kerry Collins (5) is pressured by Houston Texans linebacker Mario Williams (90) during the fourth quarter of an NFL football game Sunday, Sept. 11, 2011, in Houston. AP

**INDIANAPOLIS** (AP)—All Kerry Collins really wants is a chance to make things right.

He's been studying the playbook, refining the timing with receivers, getting acclimated to shotgun formations and Indianapolis' no-huddle offense. By Sunday, the Colts quarterback hopes all of his overtime will help him make a better impression in his home debut with the Colts.

"I feel more and more comfortable every day running the offense, making decisions," Collins said Wednesday. "It (more practice) is really going to help me, no question. We just have to keep grinding away and get better than we were last week."

Hey, it couldn't get much worse.

The Colts were manhandled by AFC South rival Houston in their opener last Sunday, losing 34-7 in a flat, mistake-filled outing that has fans wondering if Indy will win at all without Peyton Manning. The Colts went scoreless in the first half for the first time since September 2008, the last time Manning was recovering from an injury. And though Collins wound up with decent passing numbers at Houston—16 of 31, 197 yards, one touchdown, no interceptions and a higher quarterback rating than Houston's Matt Schaub—they paled in comparison to the glaring miscues.

Behind a revamped offensive line, Collins was sacked twice in the first quarter. He lost two fumbles in less than 15 minutes, both inside the Colts' 20 and both of which led to Houston touchdowns. The Colts recovered Collins' third fumble, in the second half, and the Colts were left with their first single-digit point total in a meaningful game since a 20-3 playoff loss at New England in January 2005.

Nobody expected Collins to be Manning, but few expected this kind of start, either.

It's led to a hot debate about whether Collins—or anyone other than Indy's four-time MVP—should be replaced as soon as possible. Maybe with former Jacksonville quarterback David Garrard or retired Bengals quarterback Carson Palmer. Others simply hope Manning will return from his latest neck surgery by mid-November, the short end of the projected recovery. Colts vice chairman Bill Polian said during his weekly radio show that the Colts would keep Manning on the active roster unless doctors rule him out for the season.

A few fans have even suggested the Colts tank the season so they can draft Manning's eventual heir in April. They're hoping to get Stanford quarterback Andrew Luck.

Collins and teammates have ignored the comments, focusing instead on trying to get things right against Cleveland on Sunday.

"We played about as bad as we could play offensively," Pro Bowl center Jeff Saturday said. "We really didn't give ourselves a chance to get drives going, and when we did get drives going, we got penalties. I know what we did. I watched the film. I know what we can do, and I know we need to get better."

Collins, a two-time Pro Bowler and former Super Bowl starter, is trying to get up to speed quickly.

Coach Jim Caldwell said the 38-year-old quarterback, now in his 17th NFL season, has been cramming relentlessly since the Colts brought him out of retirement Aug. 24. He arrives early in the morning, works all day and stays late at night.

Before Sunday's opener, however, Collins had less than a dozen practices with his new teammates, which forced the Colts to adjust. Instead of running the usual no-huddle offense, one of Manning's trademarks, the Colts slowed things down.

Collins did look better as the game wore on, and with six more workouts this week, perhaps the offense will start to look more normal by Sunday. At least that's the hope in Indy.

"I think it's huge. The more confidence he gets, the better we get as an offense," tight end Dallas Clark said. "Everyone needs to focus individually on their effort and if everyone improves collectively, then we'll improve as an offense."

It starts with Collins, who blamed himself for not taking care of the ball at Houston.

Collins lost the first fumble when Houston's Antonio Smith blind-sided him. On the Colts' next offensive play, Collins dropped the snap and Houston recovered again. The Texans quickly converted both turnovers into touchdowns, putting Indy in a quick 17-0 hole. Indy never recovered.

"I know he'll be more comfortable and have a little better grasp of things," Caldwell said. "There were some things he did well, but I think it's not just him. It's a number of guys who will show the kind of improvement we need."

Whether it was the blocking scheme, the new offensive line, a philosophical change or not enough time to get Collins acclimated, Colts fans expect to see a better performance this week.

And Collins intends to meet those expectations in his first home game as Manning's replacement.

"We'll improve, we have to improve," Collins said. "There were too many mistakes, too many turnovers. You know any kind of start would be better than what we had last week."

# Bradford good to go for Monday night game

**ST. LOUIS** (AP)—St. Louis Rams quarterback Sam Bradford made all the throws during a short practice, making a fast recovery from a bruised index finger.

A special glove designed to increase blood flow to the injury and reduce swelling may have helped get him back on the field quickly.

"Everyone says I look like Michael Jackson," Bradford joked Wednesday. "I'm not really sure what it does. They say it works and obviously my hand feels better, so I trust them."

Bradford said although there was some soreness, the finger felt "10 times better" than it did on Monday, the day after the Rams' opening 31-13 loss to the Philadelphia Eagles. The original plan didn't call for him to do any throwing before Thursday and Bradford hadn't been that optimistic.

"I wouldn't have come out of the game if it wasn't serious," Bradford said. "I couldn't feel it, I couldn't move it, I really was concerned."

Now he's hopeful his right hand will be 100 percent by Monday night when the Rams play at the New York Giants. For anyone watching or on the receiving end, it's already close enough.

"I couldn't tell a bit," wide receiver Mike Sims-Walker said. "He looked great to me."

Trainer Reggie Scott said electrodes flow through the glove, which is dampened in water to promote connectivity, and then connected to an electrical stimulation unit. Bradford has been wearing the glove, in 20-minute sessions, at Rams Park and at home.

"It's a neat little gadget," Scott said. "It's helped out wonderfully. He's been living in it."

Scott said the device helped running back Steven Jackson recover from a dislocated finger last season.

As a rookie, Bradford was among three quarterbacks who took every snap. Backup A.J. Feeley was needed for the first time in two seasons in the fourth quarter after Bradford was hurt when he struck the upraised hands of a defender after a pass.

"He's kind of over the hump with some things, it looks like he's going to be OK," coach Steve Spagnuolo said. "I think it would be the understatement of the year to say it's a relief."

There are plenty of other concerns, though.

Cornerback Ron Bartell was placed on injured reserve with two fractures in his neck, further thinning a position with little depth entering the season. Bartell was a second-round pick in 2005 and is the second-longest tenured Ram, and hopes to return next season.

"It's unfortunate for Ron," middle linebacker James Laurinaitis said. "He's one of the leaders on our defense, and our team."

Jackson, who strained his right leg early in the opening loss to the Eagles, has not been counted out for Monday night's game at the New York Giants. Jackson was among a large group of players getting treatment during a workout that lasted just over an hour.

"Steven's about the same," Spagnuolo said. "We'll see where we are at the end of the week."

Wide receiver Danny Amendola wore a brace on his left elbow after dislocating the elbow Sunday and could be out several weeks, although Spagnuolo said he didn't believe surgery would be needed. Backup defensive end C.J. Ah You will undergo wrist surgery.

All of the injuries prompted a flurry of moves. Safety Tim Atchison was elevated from the practice squad to the roster and running back Quinn Porter, recently released by the Cleveland Browns, was signed.

Center Drew Miller was released, safety Jonathan Nelson was released from the practice squad, and quarterback Tom Brandstater and offensive tackle Tim Barnes were signed to the practice squad. Brandstater also might get some work at wide receiver with the scout team.

## NFL BRIEFS

### Texans' Foster returns to practice

**HOUSTON** (AP)—Houston running back Arian Foster returned to practice Wednesday after missing the season opener because of a left hamstring injury. Coach Gary Kubiak said Foster took the normal repetitions for a starter in the workout. "I guess the key probably is how he comes out of practice (Thursday)," Kubiak said. "Does he feel good? But everything was positive today at practice, so we'll see." Kubiak was encouraged by how Foster looked in his return Wednesday. "I think it's about him getting his confidence back and just cutting it loose," he said. "I just told him to be smart today, but he's on top of his stuff." Foster was happy to get back on the field after dealing with the injury for so long. "It felt good," he said. "It was pretty fluid, but you've got to ease along hamstring injuries, so I'm just going to take it day by day and see how I feel."

### Source: Woodson fined $10K for throwing punch

**GREEN BAY, Wis.** (AP)—A person familiar with the situation tells The Associated Press that cornerback Charles Woodson has been fined $10,000 for throwing a punch in the Green Bay Packers' season opener against the New Orleans Saints. The person requested anonymity because the fine has not been announced by the league or the team. Woodson was called for a personal foul in the third quarter after throwing a punch at Saints tight end David Thomas. He was not ejected. After the game, Woodson admitted he did it out of frustration after "the guy was holding me a little longer than I wanted." Woodson expected a fine.

# After talks setback, what's next for NBA players?

**NEW YORK** (AP)—Billy Hunter hoped to deliver good news when he meets with NBA players on Thursday in Las Vegas.

Instead, the executive director of the players' association isn't even sure how he will answer all their questions.

No progress was made toward ending the 2 1/2-month lockout during a meeting with owners Tuesday, and Hunter might have to tell players to look elsewhere if they want to be paid to play basketball anytime soon.

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"There are a lot of guys, many marquee players now, who have offers to go outside the country. And the question is, what do they do?" Hunter said. "I mean, do they hold off making the decision, or do they wait in hopes that we get a deal in place sometime in the immediate future?"

Hopes of that diminished after Tuesday's meeting between the union's executive committee and the owners' labor relations committee ended with the sides still divided over the salary cap system, despite a hint of economic compromise.

And with Hunter and union president Derek Fisher of the Lakers warning that the season might not open on time, where do players go from here?

Overseas?

A court room, to sue the league after dissolving their union?

Back to NBA arenas, playing under a deal they hate?

Hunter makes the latter two options seem unlikely for now, reiterating Tuesday that players are unified in their refusal to accept the owners' current proposal.

But players might be considering overseas alternatives now more than ever.

"As time passes, guys are going to definitely defect, and you won't be able to find the same combination of skill and talent and character that the 450 of us NBA players possess," NBPA vice president Maurice Evans of the Wizards said. "You're not just going to go out and find that at random to replace this product; that should definitely be noted."

To date, Nets All-Star point guard Deron Williams' deal with Turkish team Besiktas is still the only one signed by a top NBA player since the lockout began July 1. Commissioner David Stern has downplayed the overseas option, believing there isn't the money or comforts to entice his superstars. But lower-level players might choose any contract over no guaranteed payment back home anytime soon.

More than 40 players are in Las Vegas this week taking part in a league at the Impact Basketball academy, so union leaders decided to go there to speak with them. Meanwhile, owners will be meeting in Dallas. Stern has said there won't be any decisions at Thursday's session to cancel training camps, which were scheduled to begin in less than three weeks.

Despite Tuesday's lack of progress, Fisher said his message won't change much Thursday—because it's been cautious all along.

"I don't think we've minced our words in terms of our guys understanding that this was a moment that we expected to find ourselves in starting over two years ago," Fisher said. "We expected to be here, we anticipated that, we felt like our owners were strong enough in their position ... that they'd be possibly willing to risk time lost in the season to get the things they needed in this particular round of collective bargaining."

Hunter and Fisher likely will have to address the concept of decertification during their presentation. NFL players dissolved their union this year so they could file an antitrust lawsuit against the league, though they ultimately resolved their dispute with owners.

Hunter's preferred course has been to wait for a ruling on a charge the union filed against the league with the National Labor Relations Board for unfair bargaining practices.

"We've never really had any discussions about decertification," Hunter said. "As you're aware, we've obviously been experiencing some pressure, at least in the media, from some of the agents about decertification. But that's not a message that's crossed our lips."

Hunter added he hoped for a ruling from the NLRB by the end of this month.

That would be too late to save the opening of training camps, but time remains to open the regular season as scheduled on Nov. 1. Hunter hopes that at some point a split will develop between big-market and small-market owners—if it's not already there—and the big spenders who have more incentive to play without massive changes to the structure will push for a settlement.

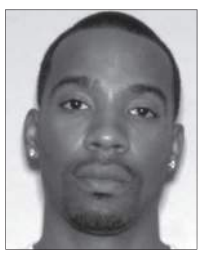
"I think there's probably a division of interest within their group, and I think trying to develop a consensus within the group is the issue," he said.

In the meantime, Fisher is instructing players to train as normal.

"Continue to prepare yourself physically and mentally for whatever circumstances play out, and if we start on time, you should be physically ready to go," he said. "The way it looks right now we may not start on time, and you should continue to make the decisions and the plans accordingly to your individual situation."

## Ex-Wizards' Crittenton to face charge in Atlanta

**ATLANTA** (AP)—Former Washington Wizards basketball player Javaris Crittenton will be returned to Atlanta from Los Angeles on Thursday to face a murder charge, police said.


Crittenton

Crittenton, a former star player at Georgia Tech, will be transported to jail by a fugitive unit of the Atlanta police department, spokesman officer John Chafee said Wednesday.

Authorities said Crittenton was being returned to face the charge in the death of 22-year-old Julian Jones, a mother of four who was hit by gunfire during a drive-by shooting. Police said the shots were aimed at someone walking with her. Crittenton denies involvement.

Crittenton was detained at the John Wayne Airport in Orange County, Calif., two weeks ago when he was about to board a flight to Atlanta.

Defense attorney Brian Steel said when Crittenton appeared in court in Los Angeles that his client had agreed to return to Atlanta voluntarily and had even bought a plane ticket, but law enforcement authorities decided to arrest him anyway.

He waived extradition to Atlanta and has been held in Los Angeles pending his return. Crittenton lives in the Atlanta suburb of Fayeteville.

He pleaded guilty to a gun charge after a locker room altercation with Wizards teammate Gilbert Arenas last year and served a year of unsupervised probation.

After starring at Georgia Tech, Crittenton was the 19th overall pick of the 2007 NBA draft, selected by the Los Angeles Lakers. He is on the roster of an NBA developmental league team.

# Mayweather has problems, but says Ortiz not one

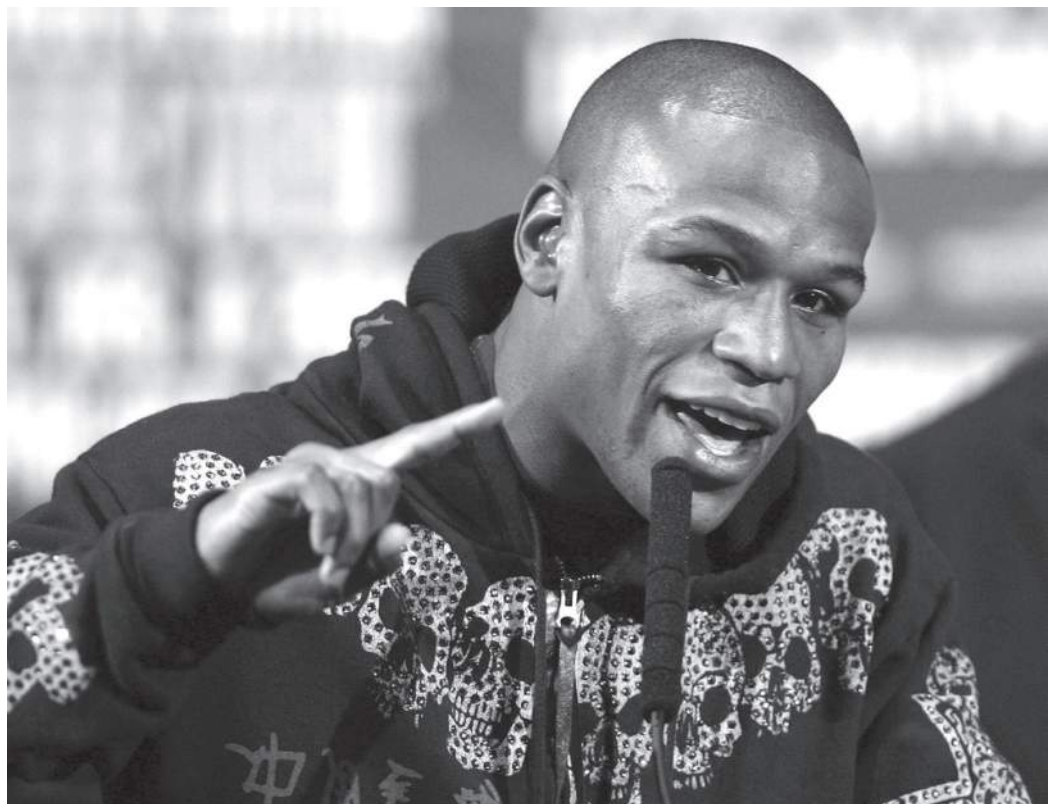
BOXING

**LAS VEGAS** (AP)—His family disputes make interesting reality television. His legal issues could land him in jail. Worse yet for Floyd Mayweather Jr. is that he's getting older by the fight and Manny Pacquiao keeps stealing his spotlight.

One place he doesn't expect to have any problems, however, is in the ring Saturday night against Victor Ortiz.

"I believe in my skills. I believe in my talent," Mayweather said. "This fight will not go the distance."

Mayweather returns to the ring for the first time in 16 months in an intriguing matchup against a young slugger who vows to give him his first loss. He'll make millions to fight Ortiz on pay-per-view television, largely because he's found a way to sell himself as must-see TV on the HBO channel.



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Floyd Mayweather Jr. will duel Victor Ortiz on Saturday (Sunday on Saipan time) and says the fight will not go the distance.

Oddsmakers don't figure he'll have trouble against Ortiz, and neither do most boxing observers. But Mayweather is 34 now and he hasn't fought in such a long time that the predictions may be little more than guesses.

Ortiz says he has nothing to lose and nothing to fear in the biggest fight of his life. But other fighters have said that, and Mayweather remains 41-0, a fighter who may not be great but has a record that makes him look close to it.

"I'm going to finish you off," Mayweather told Ortiz at Wednesday's final prefight news conference at the MGM Grand hotel.

Mayweather said he was already at the 147-pound (66.7-kilogram) weight limit for the welterweight title that Ortiz won by upsetting Andre Berto in his last fight, which is not surprising since Mayweather is never out of shape. But there are questions even inside his own camp about the length of his layoff and the advance of age that eventually claims every fighter.

The last time out Mayweather had a soft touch against an aging Shane Mosley, who stung him in the second round only to fight to survive the rest of the way. This time he has a 24-year-old in front of him full of confidence after a fight he desperately needed to right his career.

"America wants to see change, and change is coming soon," Ortiz said.

Ortiz overcame the odds of being abandoned by his parents to become a boxer who fights with the same intensity with which he lives.

Given up by many boxing fans for giving up in his fight two years ago against Marcos Maidana, Ortiz righted his career by coming back from two knockdowns in a gutsy fight to beat Berto and win the welterweight title in April.

"He has a real heart," promoter Oscar De La Hoya said. "He's a fighter who has been down and always gets back up. Every opponent he's faced has touched the canvas."

Indeed, the best thing about Ortiz in the ring—at least for fans watching from home—is that he always seems one punch from a knockout and one more punch from being knocked out himself. He's 29-2-1, but he's fighting for only the second time as a true welterweight and he'll be going up against a fighter who is very comfortable at that weight.

But it may be the experience factor which will be the real difference. Mayweather is a veteran of big fights—the bouts he's been in have sold a total of nearly 7 million pay-per-views—while this is the first time on center stage for Ortiz.

"It's a completely different stage," said De La Hoya, who was on that stage for most of his career. "Either you crumble under the lights or you shine like there is no tomorrow. Victor's as cool as a cucumber, he doesn't let anything affect him."

Ortiz said that's because he always had to overcome the odds from the time he was born in Garden City, Kan., to his life as a boxer today in Southern California.

"It's always been me against everyone," Ortiz said. "I welcome the challenge and will rise to it, just as I have every time."

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According to XTERRA website, the course is part of a 22,000 acre backyard of Maui Land & Pineapple Company and it extends from the mountains to the sea and covers lush rainforests and a group of trails.

"The new location will create a dramatically different challenge for competitors. In stark contrast to the dry and dusty lava-strewn path up Haleakala, the northwest coast is wet and wild with lush rainforests and former pineapple fields that undulate in-and-out of gulches coming down from the West Maui Mountains," stated in the XTERRA World website.

The 1.5-kilometer swim leg, according to Carey, will take place at the D.T. Fleming Beach, which is known for its huge waves.

"The swim leg will be a very big challenge as there can be big waves. The beach hosts surfing competition every year. But, I think I have a little advantage in the swim leg, as I grew up with waves and I do surfing and body boarding before," the three-time XTERRA Japan champion said.

The bike leg in Kapalua will be about 20 miles with over 3,000 feet of elevation changes. Trails move from field to field and fall hundreds of feet down to the bottom of a deep forested area and then back up again. The MTB race will also cover the lower slopes of the West Maui Mountains. In the 10-kilometer trail run, runners will pass through lava rock, forest trails, and beach sand.

More than 500 triathletes, pros and amateurs alike, will be racing in next month's event and this year Carey hopes to move up to the leaderboard again. Last year, the 33-year-old triathlete placed 13th in the women's division, five notches higher from her 2009 finish. She clocked in at three hours, 21 minutes, and 11 seconds in the lung-busting race, crushing her 2009 time of 3:35:44.

"This year I feel much stronger and with still one month to go before the race, I know I have a lot more to give in my training sessions. I am very excited to go to Maui and represent the CNMI again," Carey said.

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ships at the Kapalua Resort on Oct. 23. The other is Saipan pro Mieko Carey.

The USA Triathlon is the governing body in the sport awarding pro license and has several requirements for triathletes aiming to turn pro. One of them is to finish in the Top 10 and within 10 percent of the overall winner's time, according to gender, in at least three USAT sanctioned events (on road or off road events) that took place in the past 12 months and had at least 200 participants.

In the past XTERRA Saipan Championships races, Sublemente has been topping his age group. Early this year, he was the first male finisher from the CNMI, completing the race in 3:32:21. The 39-year-old triathlete was No. 8 overall among around 50 finishers and the lone non-pro in the Top 8. Sublemente finished ahead of pros from Japan, England, the U.S., and Brazil.

With his first place finish in the 35 to 39 age group of last year's XTERRA Saipan Championship, Sublemente earned a slot to XTERRA World.

"I am excited to join XTERRA World and will do my best to have a good race in Hawaii. I've been training for the past few months and I am in top shape. Hopefully, I and Mieko will have a great race in Maui," Sublemente said.

Besides his regular swims, rides, and runs, Sublemente joins local events to prepare for the off-road race in Maui. Last week, he competed in the 6th Annual POWERade Banzai Memorial Off-Road Half Marathon and placed second overall with a time of 1:39:17. This weekend, he is expected to participate in the SIS 5K Fun Run and Mieko's fundraising race.

Meanwhile, the CNMI triathlete also thanked members of both the sports and business communities on Saipan for supporting the fundraising events for his XTERRA World trip.

## ROLLERS 2

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seconds of the match and the eventual winner collared the defensive rebound. Hi-Five also holds a 3-2 card.

A good start marked by three 3-pointers gave Rollers 2 a 16-6 lead after eight minutes of play.

Hi-Five roared back in the second stanza, drawing baskets from five different players to pull within a couple of possessions, 21-25. Despite's Hi-Five's repeated rallies, Rollers 2 managed to keep the lead at halftime after connecting two more treys in the second period.

Both teams made adjustments after the pause and Hi-Five and Rollers 2 went back and forth in the third period. Hi-Five's Nikko Salem came off the bench and canned five free throws to move his team within two, 36-38, heading into the final quarter.

Rollers 2 continued to lean on its treys in this match, as it buried two more long balls in the clutch to maintain control. Hi-5 nipped at the Rollers' heels all game and had a good chance to steal the game in the end, however the latter's defense prevailed in the last 20 seconds.

Sheen Metran led Rollers 2 with 13 points, while Don Hockett top-scored for Hi-Five with 12.

Meanwhile, two games in the U19 division will be played tonight with the Ol'Aces (3-1) taking on Kagman (1-2) at 5pm and Rollers 1 (1-4) meeting NMC-Proa (1-3) at 6pm.

**Rollers 2 50** – Metran 13, Vertudez 11, Sacramento 9, Salas 4, Ano 3, DL Guerrero 3, Iglesias 3, Maranan 3.

**Hi-5 48** – Hockett 12, F. Macahito 11, Urbano 10, Salem 9, Atalig 4, Tadifa 2.

**Scoring by quarters:** 16-6, 25-21, 38-36, 50-48.

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Thai Team, which placed fifth in the eight-team field with a 7-5-2 slate.

Mellow Yellow got its lone goal from Melanie Santos and ended its season with a 3-11-0 card.

### Kulet's Team 4, ITE& Blossom 1

Kulet's Team finished sixth in the women's league after beating IT&E Blossom, 4-1.

Kulet's Team had a 5-8-1 record in the competition, while IT&E Blossom was winless in 14 games.

Four different players scored for Kulet's Team in its last game with Dyenina Diaz, Madi Onni and Corina Suda finding the back of the net in the first half and Windy Orcine hitting her first and only goal in the second half. Laarni Zapanta was the lone IT&E Blossom striker to score in their final match.

The 2011 Saipan Soccer School Futsal League will conclude on Monday with the results of two matches in the women's league deciding the winner of the championship between IT&E Awesome and Shirley's A. IT&E Awesome will face Red Team, while Shirley's A will duel sister team Shirley's B.

## TRIBUNE SPORTS SCORES

### MLB STANDINGS

**AMERICAN LEAGUE**

**East Division**

| | W | L | Pct | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| New York | 90 | 58 | .608 | – |
| Boston | 86 | 62 | .581 | 4 |
| Tampa Bay | 82 | 66 | .554 | 8 |
| Toronto | 75 | 74 | .503 | 15 1/2 |
| Baltimore | 60 | 88 | .405 | 30 |

**Central Division**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Detroit | 87 | 62 | .584 | – |
| Chicago | 73 | 75 | .493 | 13 1/2 |
| Cleveland | 72 | 74 | .493 | 13 1/2 |
| Kansas City | 64 | 86 | .427 | 23 1/2 |
| Minnesota | 59 | 89 | .399 | 27 1/2 |

**West Division**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Texas | 85 | 64 | .570 | – |
| Los Angeles | 82 | 67 | .550 | 3 |
| Oakland | 67 | 82 | .450 | 18 |
| Seattle | 62 | 87 | .416 | 23 |

**NATIONAL LEAGUE**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| z-Philadelphia | 95 | 51 | .651 | – |
| Atlanta | 86 | 64 | .573 | 11 |
| New York | 71 | 78 | .477 | 25 1/2 |
| Washington | 70 | 77 | .476 | 25 1/2 |
| Florida | 67 | 81 | .453 | 29 |

**Central Division**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Milwaukee | 87 | 63 | .580 | – |
| St. Louis | 81 | 68 | .544 | 5 1/2 |
| Cincinnati | 73 | 76 | .490 | 13 1/2 |
| Pittsburgh | 67 | 82 | .450 | 19 1/2 |
| Chicago | 65 | 84 | .436 | 21 1/2 |
| Houston | 51 | 98 | .342 | 35 1/2 |

**West Division**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Arizona | 87 | 63 | .580 | – |
| San Francisco | 79 | 70 | .530 | 7 1/2 |
| Los Angeles | 73 | 75 | .493 | 13 |
| Colorado | 70 | 78 | .473 | 16 |
| San Diego | 63 | 87 | .420 | 24 |

z-clinched playoff berth

**Yesterday's Games**

Atlanta 4, Florida 1
St. Louis 3, Pittsburgh 2
Philadelphia 1, Houston 0
San Francisco 3, San Diego 1
Cincinnati 7, Chicago Cubs 2
Washington 2, N.Y. Mets 0
Colorado 6, Milwaukee 2
L.A. Dodgers 3, Arizona 2
Toronto 5, Boston 4
Detroit 6, Chicago White Sox 5, 10 innings
L.A. Angels 4, Oakland 1
Kansas City 7, Minnesota 3
Texas 9, Cleveland 1
Baltimore 6, Tampa Bay 2
Seattle 2, N.Y. Yankees 1, 12 innings

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# GBL-IT&E Cup first season tips off Oct. 16

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The Garapan Basketball League-IT&E Cup's inaugural season will kick off on Oct. 16 at the Garapan Basketball Court.

Ten teams have already shown interest in joining GBL's first season, however only nine will make up this year's field, so the first nine to pay the $500 entrance fee will be allowed to compete. Squads participating in the league must have players who are at least 18 years old and each team can only have a maximum of 14 players on its roster.

Currently, the list of interested teams include NMC-Proa, Satbahi, Ali'i Konflikt, Mobil, Hoopaholics, Rollers Basketball Club, Ol'Aces, Cabalen-Noni, Blue Haus, and a team led by Boy Garcia.

Besides the trophy, the champion team will receive $1,000 cash, while the league will also hand over various individual awards and other prizes.

"We're aiming to showcase the GBL as Saipan's premier outdoor basketball competition. Moreover, by choosing the Garapan court for our venue we also plan on conducting a variety of civil service activities as a way of giving back to the community. Some activities include holding lawn maintenance and landscaping along the Garapan Fishing Area, hosting beach clean up, and assisting Rollers Basketball Club head coach Joe Diaz with his youth U16 developmental basketball program," said head organizer Rey Perez in a phone interview yesterday.

Perez, who organized the first two seasons of the QQ Car Rental Basketball Cup, would like to thank IT&E for supporting the inaugural GBL.

Meanwhile, league organizers are holding an 8pm mandatory meeting for all interested teams on Monday, Sept. 19 at the Hard Rock Café in Garapan.

For more information about GBL, email gbl670@yahoo.com or visit the group's Facebook page listed under Garapan Basketball League.

Ali'i Konflikt players watch Blue Haus' Dave Sablan make a reverse layup during their game in the QQ Cup early this year at the Garapan Basketball Court. Blue Haus and Ali'i Konflikt are two of the 10 teams interested in competing in the Garapan Basketball League-IT&E Cup, which will open its inaugural season next month.
WALTER CEPEDA SUTHERLAND

# Over 100 confirmed for SIS Fun 5K Run

All is set for tomorrow's 11th SIS 5K Fun Run with over 100 have already confirmed to join the race from and to Banzai Cliff.

Mili Saiki of the Saipan International School said as of Thursday, 105 runners have already registered and they are expecting the number to grow on race day. Saiki is encouraging running enthusiasts to join the annual fundraiser, as proceeds from the event will be used for the operating expenses and other improvement in the school.

Registration starts at 6am, while the race begins at 7am. From Banzai Cliff, runners will head to the Cowtown Raceway and then back at the starting line. Entry fee is only $10 and the first 120 participants will get t-shirts and raffle tickets. SIS will be raffling of one-night stay at Fiesta and PIC gift certificates, dinner certificates, golf passes, spa certificates, and others.

Last year, the SIS race drew 175 runners with father and son Ketson "Jack" and Koen Kabiriel leading the list of winners. The older Kabiriel was the overall top finisher in the race, timing in at 20 minutes and 26 seconds for back-to-back titles in the men's division. He won in 2009 with a time of 19:51. Koen ruled the boys U10 division, completing the race at the 38:50 mark.

Joining the older Kabiriel in the Top 3 were Chad Love (22:21) and Gary Pinkenton (23:17), while Mamiko Oshima-Berger was the first female finisher, timing in at 24:30, followed by Amber Goguen (25:18) and Akane Imaya (27:17).

In the U18 division, SIS students Angelo Jones and Jessica Soll topped the boys and girls races, posting 23:33 and 28:18, respectively.

To register or for more information, contact Saiki at 288-9660 or milisaiki@hotmail.com ***(Roselyn B. Monroyo)***

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The more than 100 participants in last year's SIS 5K Fun Run leave the starting line at Banzai Cliff.

# Mixed-Blood Shooters 1, Try Luck on top

CONTRIBUTED PHOTO
Members of Ladies division leader Try Luck pose for a team photo at D'Pirates Bar & Grill after its 15-0 shutout win over Joe's Bar's Daffodils last Monday.

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D'Pirates Bar & Grill's Mixed-Blood Shooters 1 and Try Luck are the current frontrunners in the Saipan Electronic Dart Association's A and Ladies divisions after last Monday's matchups.

Mixed-Blood downed Naked Fish Bar & Grill's Ali'i Kamote's, 10-7, at home to improve to a 55-30 record. The A division leader clings to a one-game advantage over Oleai Beach Bar & Grill's Celebrity, which was stunned by, now third-ranked, D'Pirates Predators (50-35), 6-11.

In other A division results, D'Pirates Bud Brothers (49-36) defeated Oleai's Primos, 10-7, on the road; Oleai's Proofers (44-41) knocked off the Troubleshooters (36-49), 13-4, in a road match at Wild Bill's Bar & Grill; and Bar Gaia's Gaiana-A (28-57) snuck past Naked Fish's Naked Fish Boys (43-42), 9-8, in a nice upset on the road.

Notably, Naked Fish Boyz's James Tudela posted a High-Out 117 last Monday.

In the Ladies division, Try Luck skunked Joe's Bar's Daffodils, 15-0, at home to improve to a 65-10 slate. Try Luck is seated comfortably ahead of the six-team field and up by 15 games after the onslaught.

Second-ranked Oleai's Man-Amigas brushed off third-ranked Just Like That (33-42), 12-3, on the road at Joe', while D'Pirates Star Magic (28-47) upset Jonny's Bar & Grill's Island Girls (31-44), 9-6, in a road match.

Man-Amigas' Michelle M. Olita had a High-In score of 103.

# Cepeda tops 19th Hole 8-ball contest

Patrick Cepeda topped Nizer Masayas to win the 19th Hole 8-ball Tournament.

Cepeda outclassed the field in moving to the top of the winner's bracket. Masayas' first loss in the double-elimination tournament was also to Cepeda. He moved past Taylor Watanabe to come out of the loser's bracket, but again fell short in the rematch.

Watanabe took a tough match from Patrick Taitano, then had to settle for third place for the second week in a row.

Victor Hocog won the inaugural 19th Hole Tournament, with Edward Suzuki in second place and Watanabe in third.

The tournament is double elimination following BCA rules, with sign-up starting at 4pm. Entry fee is only $5.

First, second, and third place finishers take home trophies, with the first and second splitting the pot.

The contests are held at 19th Hole, located in Lower Navy Hill. Coming from Garapan, it is just before you get to the Bank of Hawaii traffic light, past Grand Market and before Jane's Barbecue.

You can get an ice-cold bucket of beer for $10 from 3pm to 7pm every day. Beer cans are only $2.50 from 3pm to closing.

For more information, contact Rose or Ken Phillips at 788-5929 ***(PR)***

CONTRIBUTED PHOTO
Patrick Cepeda is flanked by Nizer Masayas, left, and Taylor Watanabe, during a break in the 19th Hole 8-ball Tournament last week.

# $600 8-ball tourney at Top Pool

Top Pool Bar will be sponsoring the $600 prize for a double-elimination 8-ball tournament that will run for 17 weeks.

The competition will begin this Sunday. The first 16 weeks will be a regular tournament with a $5 entrance fee. Winners in the first 16 qualifiers will earn spots on the finale, where a total of $600 cash prizes will be awarded. The champion will receive $300, trophy, and a custom cue, while the runner-up and third placers will get $200 and $100, respectively.

Cash prizes for the first 16 weeks will depend on the number of entries. Fifty-percent of the total pot per week will be given to the weekly winner, while the remaining 50 will go the cash prize in the finale.

BCA rules will be applied and competitions will take place every Sunday. Game begins at 7:30pm. For more information, contact Zhen at 287-7676. ***(PR)***

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# New course, new test for Mieko

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Mieko Carey is seen here in a file photo negotiating the rough trail run course of the Makena Beach & Golf Resort in 2009. This year, Carey and the more than 500 triathletes around the world will race in the course at Kapalua Resort.

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CNMI triathlete Mieko Carey will be entering uncharted territory when she competes in the 2011 XTERRA World Championship in Maui, Hawaii, next month.

Carey confirmed the course in the Oct. 23 race shifted from south to the northern portion of Maui with Kapalua Resort hosting the off-road race. Last year, the XTERRA World was held at south's Makena Beach & Golf Resort.

"I saw the video for the new course and everyone said the bike and run races will be hilly. It will be a big challenge for me and the other participants as we've never tried the course and you can't have a pre-ride or run. I went there once, but just for sight seeing," Carey said.

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## Sublemente wants to turn pro

Sublemente

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XTERRA World Championship-bound Butch Sublemente will be submitting his pro application when he gets to Maui, Hawaii next month.

"I want to compete as a pro next year and hopefully my application will be granted," said Sublemente, who is one of the only two athletes from the CNMI competing in the 2011 XTERRA World Champion-

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## Wild Bill's caps season with win

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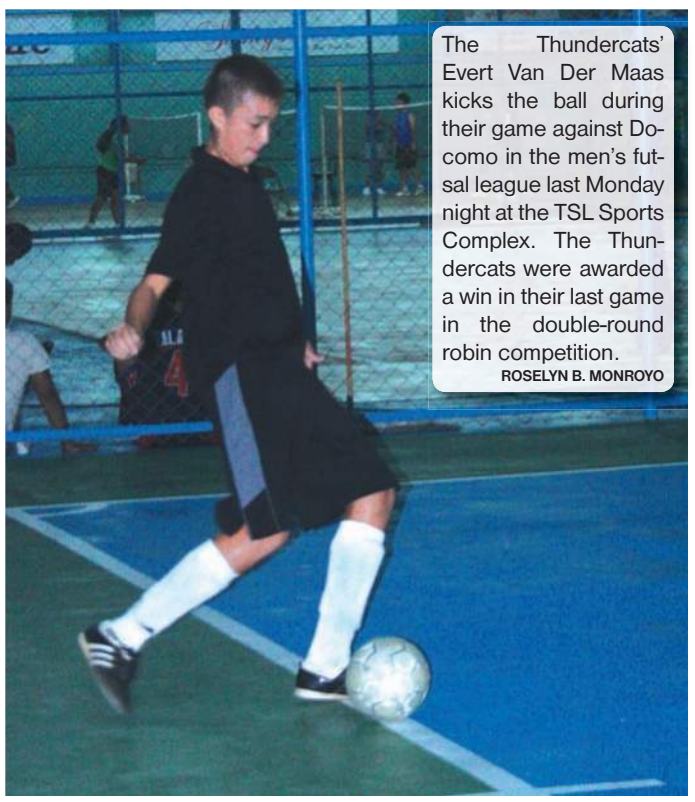
Men's champion Wild Bill's completed its campaign in the inaugural season of the 2011 Saipan Soccer School Futsal League with a victory, thumping Docomo, 10-3, on Wednesday night at the TSL Sports Complex.

Wild Bill's finished the double-round robin competition with an impressive 13-1-0 win-loss-draw record. The men's champion's lone loss in the league came at the hands of Korean Futsal Team, 6-8, last Aug. 1. After the defeat, Wild Bill's won its 10 remaining matches.

The 10th win came easy, as Jiayuan Guo and Lar Wongpanya teamed up in the triumph, making four and three goals, respectively. Jeeraphong Thoensaket added twin goals, while Jack Tanapon chipped in one.

Docomo drew one goal apiece from Ropati Tonuu, Dan Westphal, and Peter Loken and completed the season with an 8-4-2 record for third place in the eight-team field.

The other men's league match resulted in a forfeit in favor of the Thundercats. Korean Futsal Team did not have enough players for the game, allowing the Thundercats to take their first win in their last game in the competition. Korean Futsal finished fourth in the league with a 6-6-2 mark.



The Thundercats' Evert Van Der Maas kicks the ball during their game against Docomo in the men's futsal league last Monday night at the TSL Sports Complex. The Thundercats were awarded a win in their last game in the double-round robin competition.
ROSELYN B. MONROYO

### WOMEN'S
### Thai Team 2, Mellow Yellow 1

Thai Team also concluded its bid in the women's league with a win over Mellow Yellow, 2-1.

Chutima Borja and Pratoom Stoffer had one goal each for

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## Rollers 2 downs Hi-Five

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Rollers Basketball Club's Rollers 2 fended off Hi-Five's late fourth-quarter rally to pull off a 50-48 win in their U19 game in the 2011 Saipan Rotary Club Youth Basketball League last Wednesday at the TSL Sports Complex.

Rollers 2, which improved to a 3-2 record, saved the win after Hi-Five muffed a shot under the basket in the closing

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Rollers 2's Rainer Deleon Guerrero goes up strong to the basket during their game against Hi-Five in the Rotary caging last Wednesday at the TSL Sports Complex.
WALTER CEPEDA SUTHERLAND